

# What is Auburn?

Above everything else Auburn is "a source of creative thought," an institution generating the ideas that give constructive direction to the productive energies of a substantial segment of Alabama's population. Thus it is one of the principal creators of the Alabama of tomorrow.

It is "a community of scholars," of men and women studying, absorbing and synthesizing the best that has been thought and said in the varied fields of art and science; of scholars adding, through research, to the store of human knowledge and transmitting, through instruction, knowledge old and new to eager young minds—transmitting not knowledge alone but enthusiasm and respect for the creative potential of the human imagination, for the formative power of thought.

It is a mission for thought. Its graduates, its faculty, its Experiment Station, its Extension Service serve Alabama first—but not Alabama alone. Its students come principally from Alabama (78%) and then from neighboring states, but some also come from Latin America, others from Europe and the Middle East, and still others from the Orient. Its graduates encompass the globe. On leave, its faculty members fan out to the four corners of the earth, lecturing, advising, learning, and making friends for Auburn, for Alabama, for America.

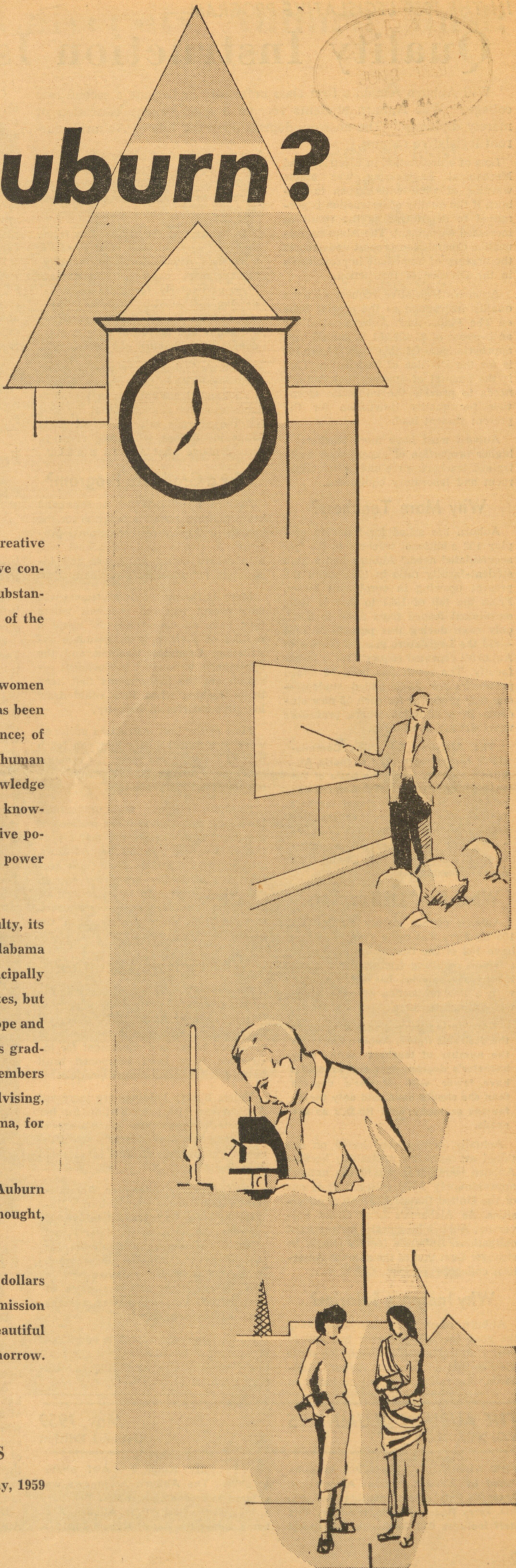
All of this is Auburn at its best; and to keeping Auburn at its best, to making it a greater source of creative thought, the 1959 legislative program is dedicated.

The legislative program is, of course, a matter of dollars and cents—but a matter of dollars and cents with a mission to create a stronger Auburn to help build a more beautiful and more prosperous Alabama and a better world tomorrow.

## The Auburn Alumnews

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# Quality Instruction Is The Crucial Issue

Will Auburn remain a first class university or become a second rate college? Will Auburn students receive a good college education or merely diplomas? The answers depend upon the fate of Auburn's current legislative request.

Loss of accreditation in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering was ample warning of what will happen to Auburn if the quality of instruction is permitted to deteriorate as the result of increased enrollment. The Alabama Education Commission's report underscores the urgency of immediate improvements in the Division of Instruction.

Auburn's legislative request shows quality instruction as the crucial issue on The Plains now. Auburn asked for an increase of \$3,469,261 in annual base appropriations. Of this sum, \$2,149,150 is for the Division of Instruction. That is the amount of money that Auburn needs to provide the minimum essentials for quality instruction for the present student load.

Auburn must have more teachers; a higher proportion of experienced well-trained teachers; more and better classroom and laboratory equipment.

## Why More Teachers?

Auburn has asked for funds to employ 102 additional teachers to fill "an accumulated need." Auburn had a high student-faculty ratio in 1951 when the present upswing in enrollment began. From the fall of 1951 to that of 1958, enrollment leaped from 5,760 to 8,517, only once during this period—in 1955—did the Legislature grant a portion of Auburn's repeated requests for a larger faculty. The result has been 52 added professors for 2,760 added students—one new professor for each 53 new students in a situation where professors were already overloaded.

The Alabama Education Commission's report more than supports Auburn's request. Upon the basis of the 1957-58 enrollment, the Commission recommended 112 additional teachers for Auburn to reduce her teaching load to the national average (Auburn enrollment has increased approximately 500 since the Commission made its study).

## What Kind Of Teachers?

Auburn cannot simply employ any 102 teachers that come along. She must have 102 of the best available. Faculty attrition resulting from many years of inadequate salaries has left Auburn with a low proportion of experienced, well-trained teachers.

Considering the national average as the desirable figure, Auburn has twice the number of teachers with only bachelor's degrees that she should have, fewer with Master's degrees than she should have, and only three-fourths as many with Ph.D.'s as she needs.

Actually, comparisons based on national averages are misleading because Auburn is not just one of the nation's approximately 2,000 colleges. It is one of the United States' 150 major universities. As Alabama's Land Grant university, Auburn has special instructional obligations. Auburn's faculty should be stronger than that of the average American college.

## Why Increase Salaries?

Auburn must raise salaries to keep the good teachers she now has and to secure desirable replacements for those she has that do not meet Auburn standards. The salary of a full professor at

Auburn is about \$2,000 less than the average full professor's salary for all Land Grant colleges. The average for all ranks at Auburn runs a full \$1,000 less than the national average.

In addition to the competition from other colleges, Auburn must compete with both government and industry for the most capable, best-trained men, particularly for those in engineering, mathematics, chemistry, physics and the biological sciences. Governmental and industrial salaries may double what Auburn can offer.

Auburn's legislative request proposes to raise salaries to the average of those at all Land Grant colleges in 1957. Reliable estimates indicate that by this fall the average salaries at all Land Grant institutions will have risen 15 percent above what Auburn is asking.

## Why a Graduate Program?

Auburn must improve and expand her promising graduate program for the benefit of the entire instructional program. A strong graduate school will help secure better professors and instructors for undergraduate instruction.

Many of the most able professors will only accept teaching positions where they have an opportunity to spend a portion of their time in graduate instruction. Graduate teaching and the opportunity to conduct independent research are the inducements that keep them teaching when they could draw lucrative salaries in industry.

Most of the best instructors prefer to work at a school where they can teach part of the year and spend the remaining time pursuing further studies under outstanding professors.

Southern colleges and universities have long relied upon other sections of the country to provide the major portion of advanced training for professors, scholars, and scientists. Now those sections are no longer producing enough specially trained men to go around. If the South is to have enough professors, it must train more professors in the South.

## Why Improve Facilities?

For years Auburn has of necessity diverted from other purposes every possible cent to maintain the strength of her faculty. As a result purchases of necessary books and equipment for instruction have been postponed until postponement is no longer possible.

Unless library holdings are increased Auburn can lose accreditation for her graduate program; the inadequacy of the library can also adversely affect the accreditation status of other schools and departments.

The Alabama Education Commission recommended that Auburn's library holdings be increased to 500,000 volumes as soon as possible. It set 458,000 volumes as a minimum for the present instructional program. Auburn has 250,000 volumes now in the library. The purchase price of the 250,000 volumes needed exceeds one million dollars.

Auburn does not expect to add 250,000 volumes immediately, but she must begin substantially increasing her library holdings at once.

Classroom and laboratory equipment across the campus is worn out and obsolete. While the advances of science and technology have been making more advanced classroom and laboratory equipment mandatory, Auburn has been making shift largely with what she had years ago. Only in Engineering with special emergency fund donations have any substantial improvement taken place and even there the job is not complete.

Finally, Auburn must pay increased maintenance and operation costs for the educational plant. Look at the increased chunk of your salary that maintaining and operating your home takes each month and project the figures for an institution as large as Auburn.

## What Does It All Mean?

By painting this somewhat less than rosy picture, *The Alumnews* isn't suggesting that Auburn throw in the

sponge. Some 180 meetings of alumni and friends over the state to discuss the plight of Auburn and public education in Alabama have convinced us that the people are ready to do something about education in Alabama. Governor John Patterson and legislative leaders are also showing a desire to provide first class education to Alabama youth for the benefit of all Alabama.

We believe that something will be done to enable Auburn to remain the great university she should be—if we all keep our sleeves rolled up and our minds on the job. Remember, Auburn needs an overall increase of \$3,469,261 in base appropriations—a total of \$9.3 million annually, a big sum but less than a penny a day for every Alabamian.

(*The Alumnews* will deal with Research, Extension, and Educational Television in subsequent issues.)

## From the Editor's Cubbyhole—

# First Violin Or Second Fiddle?

By JERRY RODEN, JR.

"... It is not in the tradition of Georgia Tech to play second fiddle to anyone, in scholastic, alumni or athletic matters," says Tech Alumni President John Staton in the March *Georgia Tech Alumnus*. Mr. Staton's statement is not only a forthright challenge to Tech alumni but also a bold challenge to the alumni of other educational institutions and a direct challenge to Auburn alumni.

His statement came as a result of Tech's having lost in 1958 "the distinction of having the largest percentage of alumni contributing to a fund raising project of any state-supported institution in the United States." Tech lost first of all to Texas A & M, which won the United States Steel Foundation's grand alumni award for 43.9% of its alumni contributing. It lost secondly to Auburn, which came in second with 42%; but it didn't lose by much, for Tech came in third place with 41.9%.

This editor welcomes Mr. Staton's challenge and believes that fellow Auburn alumni will do the same. Georgia Tech is always a worthy opponent and we respect its tradition almost as much

we revere that of Auburn. Georgia Tech men are proud men—they are rightfully proud of what their institution represents. Auburn men are proud too and the open challenge of a worthy opponent means that we are not likely to lose our pride in complacency.

Of course this contest isn't just between Auburn and Georgia Tech. For years Georgia Tech and the University of Georgia have locked horns in a struggle to determine which institution has alumni with the greatest sense of loyalty. Across Alabama at Tuscaloosa the alumni of another proud institution have set out to prove that they too cannot be outdone in support of their Alma Mater. To say nothing of other traditional friends and competitors in the Deep South, we have to take note of all the other educational institutions across the nation; it is time to ask ourselves if we are content to ride behind any institution.

On the deeply serious side, let us further note that Mr. Staton puts things in their proper perspective in his challenge. The first matter is scholastic standing, the second is alumni affairs, and the last athletic activities. The real challenge to Auburn alumni is in the first two matters—Coaches Ralph Jordan, Joel Eaves, Erskine Russell, and Wilbur Hutsell and their assistants are demonstrably capable of handling the latter competition.

By coupling scholastic matters with alumni affairs, Mr. Staton implicitly recognizes the interdependence—nay, the inseparability—of the two. Auburn alumni too are showing every indication of an increasing awareness that an alert, active, and informed alumni body is indispensable to the progress of Auburn as an educational institution.

To add zest to the effort to make our Alma Mater a truly great educational institution, let us accept Mr. Staton's challenge and let us compete every step of the way by redoubling our support of the legislative campaign, by increasing our voluntary financial support of Auburn, and by encouraging promising young people to come to the Plains for instruction—But let us finally remember that this friendly competition with Georgia Tech, the University of Georgia, the University of Alabama, and others is with allies in the battle against ignorance, an opponent to which the human intellect has too often been willing to play second fiddle.



Dr. Hal Wharton Maynor, Jr.

## Engineering School Adds Another Young Professor

Dr. Hal Wharton Maynor, Jr., associate professor of metallurgy at the University of Kentucky, will join the faculty of the API Mechanical Engineering Department in September.

A native of Tennessee, Dr. Maynor has served as professor for two years at the University of Kentucky, from which he holds bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. A Navy veteran of World War II, he has worked for three years in the Research Department of General Electric Co. and has taught at Iowa State College.

Dr. Maynor will bring with him to Auburn a wife and three children.

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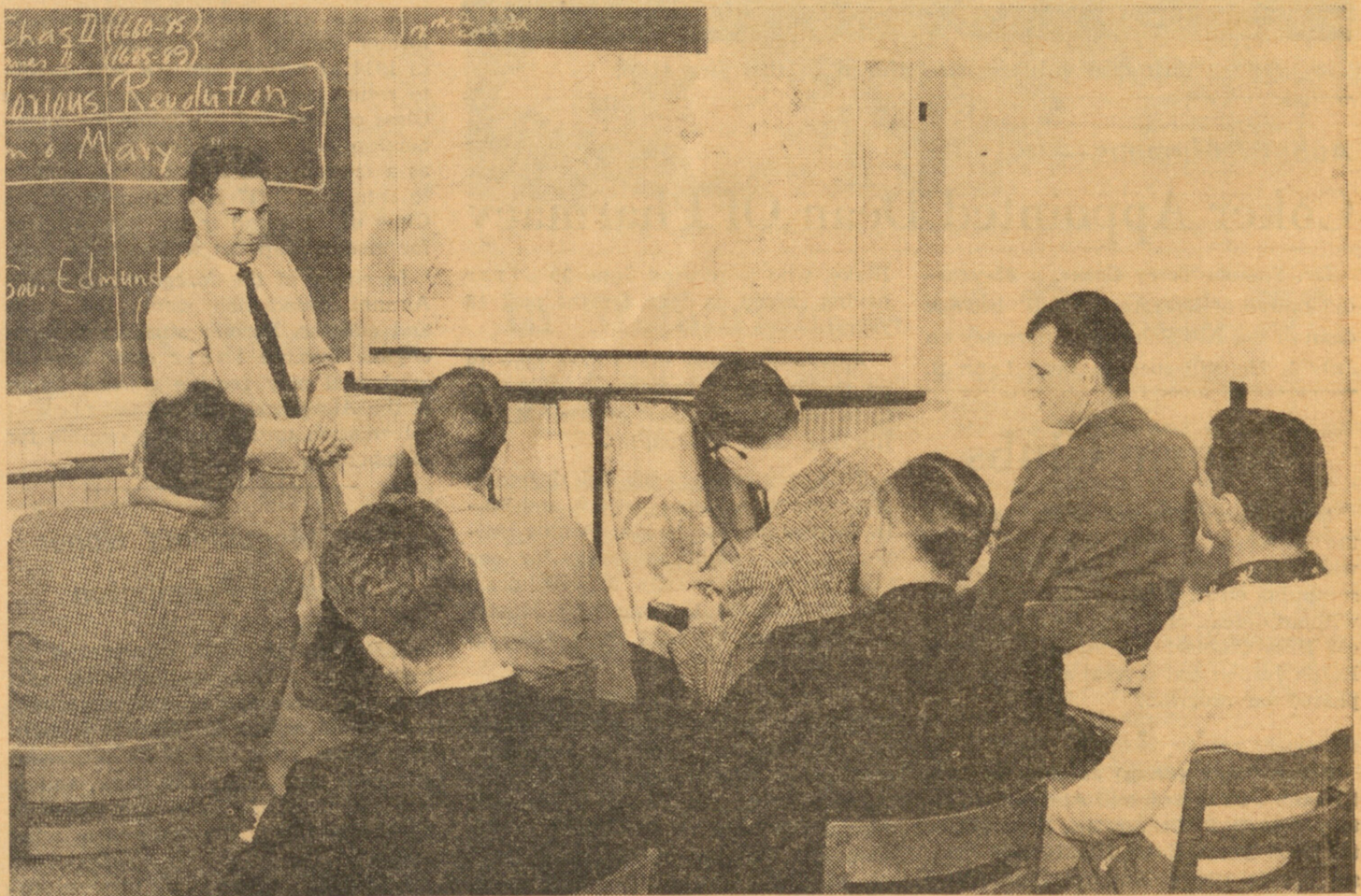
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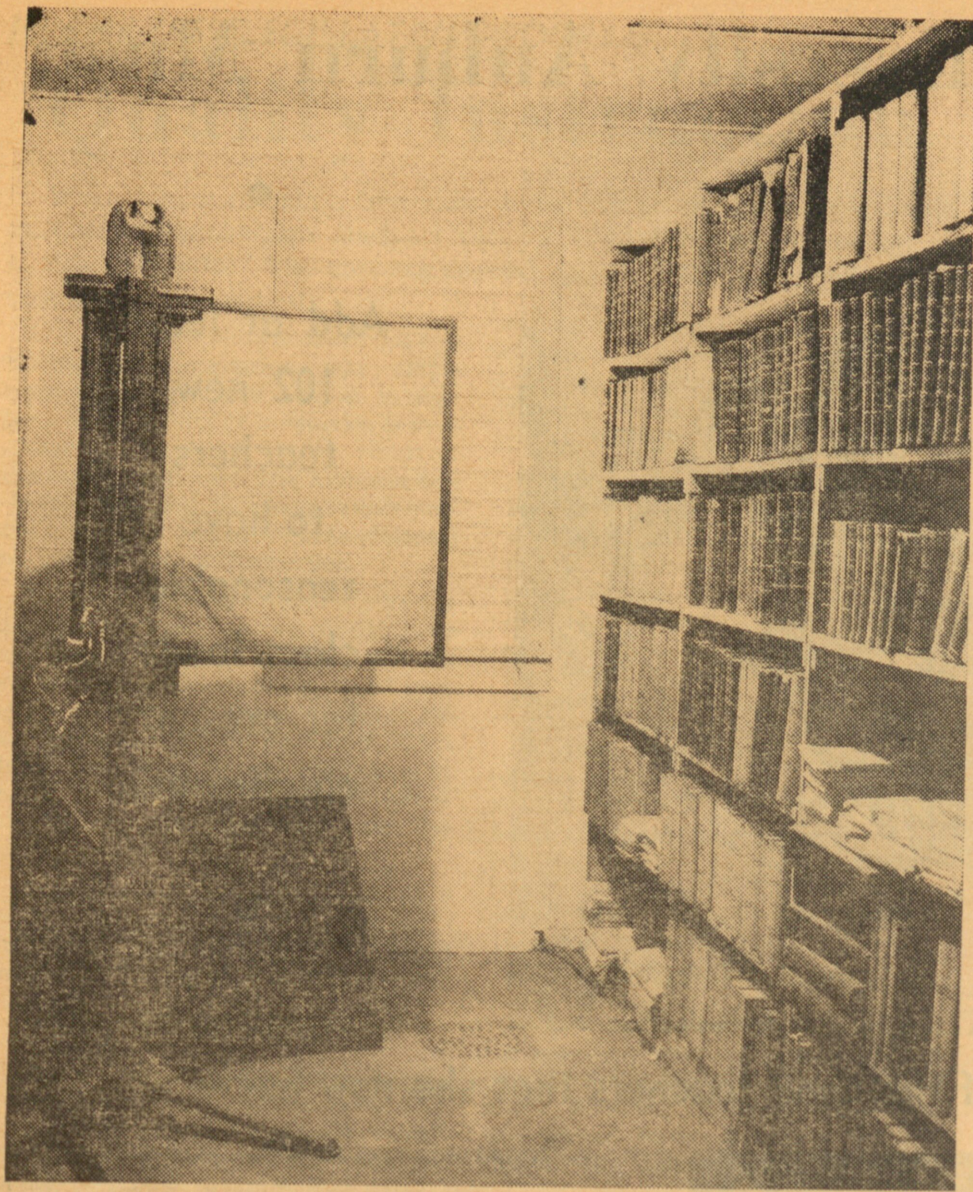
— Begin a real building program, particularly of classrooms and laboratories —



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Valuable volumes are stored in this fire trap.

## Auburn Alumnus—

### Coker Appointed Dean Of Pharmacy

Dr. Samuel Terry Coker, a 32-year-old native of Evergreen, will become dean of the API School of Pharmacy on July 1. He will succeed Dean Lynn S.

Blake, who is retiring June 30 after having served as dean for the past 18 years.

Appointment was made here May 19 by Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, president, upon recommendation of Dr. M. C. Huntley, dean of faculties.

## Auburn Clubs

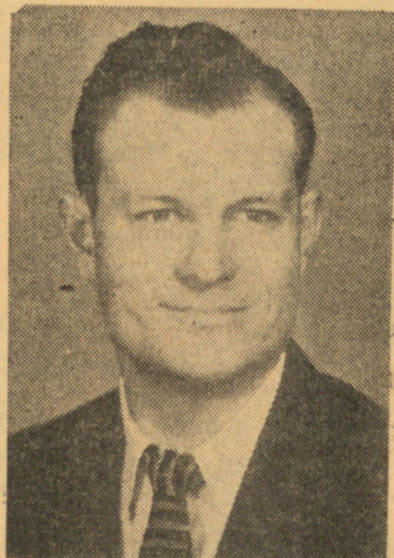
Montgomery Auburn Club honored the Auburn football coaching staff, which has built the Plainsmen into a scrapping outfit that has gone 24 games without defeat, at a banquet at the Forest Hills Cafeteria on April 22. Coach Ralph Jordan and several assistants appeared on program.

Coach Ralph (Shug) Jordan, Athletic Director Jeff Beard, and Alumni Secretary Joseph B. Sarver, Jr., have taken the 1958 Football Highlights Film and set out to renew Auburn alumni acquaintances this spring.

Included in the April itinerary were alumni groups from Sumter County in Livingston on April 24; Crenshaw County in Luverne on April 20; Conecuh County in Evergreen on April 21; Jackson County in Scottsboro on April 27; Morgan County at Finley Island on April 28; Colbert and Lauderdale Counties at Florence on April 29; Bibb, Hale, Marengo, Pickens, and Tuscaloosa Counties in Tuscaloosa on April 30.

Members attending the meeting of the Augusta Auburn Club in Augusta, Ga., last month were: William T. Dawson '56, Mrs. Pat Barnes '57, Ben Barnes '56, Eugene J. McManus '57, Mary Anne Gainey '58, J. Eugene Blakely '51, C. W. Carmack '50, S. H. Markette '53, Helen Parkinson '46, Tom Parkinson '47, Mrs. Lee S. Barksdale '30, Tom Proctor '25, J. W. McElderry '26, Phil P. "Pete" Scroggs '09, Birt Botts '50.

Also Al Sutton '45, Milt Blount '52, Royce McMeans, Earl H. Lindsey '39, Gilbert E. McMillan '36, Albert J. Maddox, Jr. '49, James B. Maddox '50, DeLores Maddox '49, Ted W. Ellis '40, Hulett L. King '40, Dr. Joseph A. Schmitz '50, P. M. Stewart '13, Ross Snellings '41, T. Jack Stone '27, and Tom McKinney '50.



Dr. Samuel Terry Coker

## For Instruction Division—

### Fifteen New Buildings Needed

Building needs of the Division of Instruction have accumulated in some cases for more years than anyone can count with accuracy. Fifteen buildings are urgently needed now for the present enrollment.

Auburn does not expect financing for all of these buildings during this biennium. But she must make a substantial start immediately, or else be prepared to deny an education to thousands of students in the crucial sixties when the record birth rate that began in World War II will result in a record number of high school graduates.

A new library building holds first priority in the list of urgent building needs. The Alabama Education Commission recommended that Auburn double its present library holdings as soon as possible, but the present library building will not hold all of the books Auburn

now has. Every time a new book is added another valuable volume must go into storage in a fire-trap, temporary building.

The present library was built in 1910 to serve 720 students. An addition in 1939 provided for 3,475 students. Present enrollment is 8,500—and growing. A library expert, brought here to study the problem, has stated that further additions are impractical.

Auburn must build a new library for the present with a design for the future. The new library must provide accommodations for 20-30 per cent of the student body at one time to meet minimum standards of college libraries—The present library only accommodates six per cent of the present student body.

Need for the following five buildings is almost as urgent as that for a new library:

**Chemistry Building Annex.** When Ross Chemical Laboratory was built in 1930, it provided for college enrollment to go up to 3,000 students. Needed NOW is an annex, larger than the present building, with classrooms, laboratories, graduate research rooms, and offices.

**Home Economics Building.** Smith Hall, main home economics building, is 50 years old. It has served as a boys' dormitory, a girls' dormitory, and social center. It provides about one-third of the space needed. In addition, its original design for a dormitory handicaps its usefulness in home economics instruction.

**Science Laboratory and Classroom Building.** Today Auburn still uses 25 classrooms and laboratories in "temporary" wooden buildings of World War II vintage. These are fire and health hazards; their ratio of maintenance-cost to original-cost underscores the false economy of postponing the building of modern, permanent classrooms. This building will provide a mutual relationship for mathematics and physics.

**Nuclear Science Building.** Nuclear Science is becoming increasingly important in the several fields of science and technology. Auburn already has a promising program in this field. To further develop it and related areas, Auburn must have funds for appropriate building and equipment. Among the needs: laboratories and equipment for biology, metallurgy, isotope technology, radio-chemistry, and instrumentation.

**Physical Education Building—Auditorium.** This building will provide the college with an auditorium and facilities for the physical education of students. Physical education has outgrown Alumni Gym and two temporary buildings, the Sports Arena and Student Activities building. This last building is a converted overseas-type hangar. It provides seats for only 2,000—too few for assemblies of any major portion of the student body. It is embarrassingly inadequate for many of the scheduled programs of the lecture and concert series.

## An Interest In Auburn Is The Thing That Counts

The Auburn Alumni Association is open to all former students who wish to build a greater Auburn. Someone has reminded the *Alumnews* that it's time to repeat: You don't have to be a graduate of Auburn to belong to the Auburn Alumni Association. You only need to have a record of attending one semester or one quarter with a class that has graduated—For example, a former student who attended Auburn in 1934 as a freshman but was unable to return again was a member of the Class of 1938 and is eligible for membership. A former student who entered as a freshman in 1956 but was unable to return in 1957 is a member of the Class of 1960 and is not now eligible for membership but will be next year.

In either of the foregoing cases the Alumni Association wants the name and address. Former students not yet eligible because their class has not graduated may receive general issues of the *Alumnews* and football ticket information until they are eligible for membership.

## Two 'Monuments' Honor Retiring Pennington

J. B. Pennington '13, principal of the high school in Blountsville for the past 42 years, is retiring after almost a half century of service to Alabama schools. The school from which he retires as principal now bears his name and is believed to be the only high school in Alabama bearing the name of a living man.

Friends, students, and former students gathered at the J. B. Pennington High School recently for an all-day program in his honor. Senator John Sparkman, in an address to those assembled, said: "This building stands as a monument to a living man, but it is only a trifle compared to the monument of memory of people throughout the state who remember with grateful hearts the fine and dedicated work and teaching accomplished by Mr. Pennington."

## Auburn's Urgent Building Needs

1. Library Building	\$2,500,000
2. Chemistry Building Annex	991,425
3. Home Economics Building	748,500
4. Science Laboratory and Classroom Building	532,870
5. Engineering Laboratory Building	1,310,740
6. Nuclear Science Building	1,161,782
7. Sub-central Heating Plant	287,500
8. Education Building	881,250
9. Physical Education—Auditorium	2,160,000
10. Architecture and Arts Building Annex	749,855
11. Military Building for 3 ROTC Units	500,000
12. Veterinary Science Building	1,404,620
13. Buildings and Grounds Storage Annex	70,000
14. Administration Building	450,000
15. Educational Television Studio Addition and Closed Circuit Television System	150,000
	<b>\$13,898,542</b>



# Retirement Takes Six Beloved Faculty Figures

The spring of 1959 has brought with it the retirement of six memorable figures on the Auburn Campus. In an issue largely dedicated to the purpose of keeping Auburn a great educational institution, it is fitting that a proper tribute go to these men, who have done much to make Auburn the great university that it is. Although they will no longer be in their accustomed offices, classrooms, and laboratories, they will—it is a pleasure to report—remain in Auburn, participating in community affairs and supporting with their wisdom and prestige the continued growth and improvement of the college.

## Builder Of The Pharmacy School

A portrait by Maltby Sykes will remind future generations of Auburn students of what the School of Pharmacy owes to retiring Dean Lynn Stanford Blake. But present and past generations need no reminder. Succeeding the late Dr. Miller as professor of pharmacy in 1913, Dean Blake became head professor of the Department of Pharmacy in 1921 and served in that capacity until he was appointed Dean of the new School of Pharmacy in 1941. Since 1913 his teaching and administrative service to pharmacy students and Auburn has been continuous.

During the years of Dean Blake's tenure, the pharmacy curriculum has grown from a two to a four-year course; the pharmacy faculty from one to six members; student enrollment in pharmacy from 36 to 200—and a small department has grown into a full-fledged school, accredited as "a class 'A' college by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education."

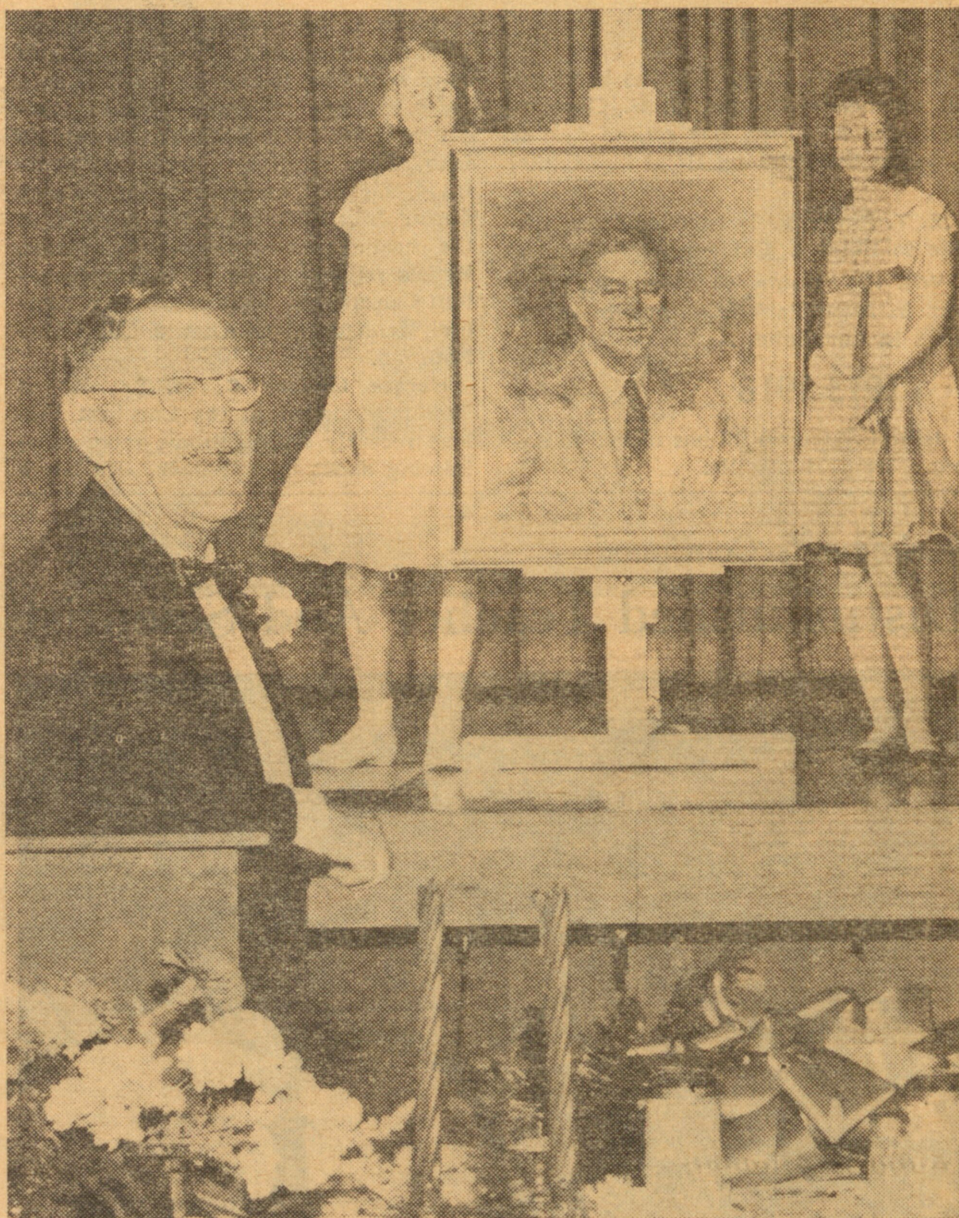
Dean Blake considers his intimate association with students and the pleasure of serving them as teacher and administrator the greatest reward of his fruitful career.

What students, former students, and friends think of the quality of his service was revealed at a recent banquet

honoring him on his 70th birthday and his forthcoming retirement. Upon this occasion the School of Pharmacy presented a portrait of their Dean to API; and alumni, Alabama pharmacists, students, faculty and friends presented Dean Blake a \$2,500 cash award.

Born in Coloma, Michigan, Lynn S. Blake studied pharmacy at the University of Michigan, receiving his B. S. and Ph.C. degrees from there before coming to Auburn in 1913. He also received an M.S. from the University of Michigan in 1929, earning this degree by summer study.

He married Florence Ferguson of his home town, and they have three children—Robert F. Blake '36, vice-president of the Bank of Auburn; Mrs. Florence Kathryn Bjurberg, '42, a Red Cross worker in Atlanta; and Lynn S. Blake, Jr., of Birmingham, head of the Bonding Department of Alabama Division of Casualty and Fidelity Co. of New York.



Dean Lynn S. Blake, his portrait, and his granddaughters.

## The Dean Of Chemistry Teachers

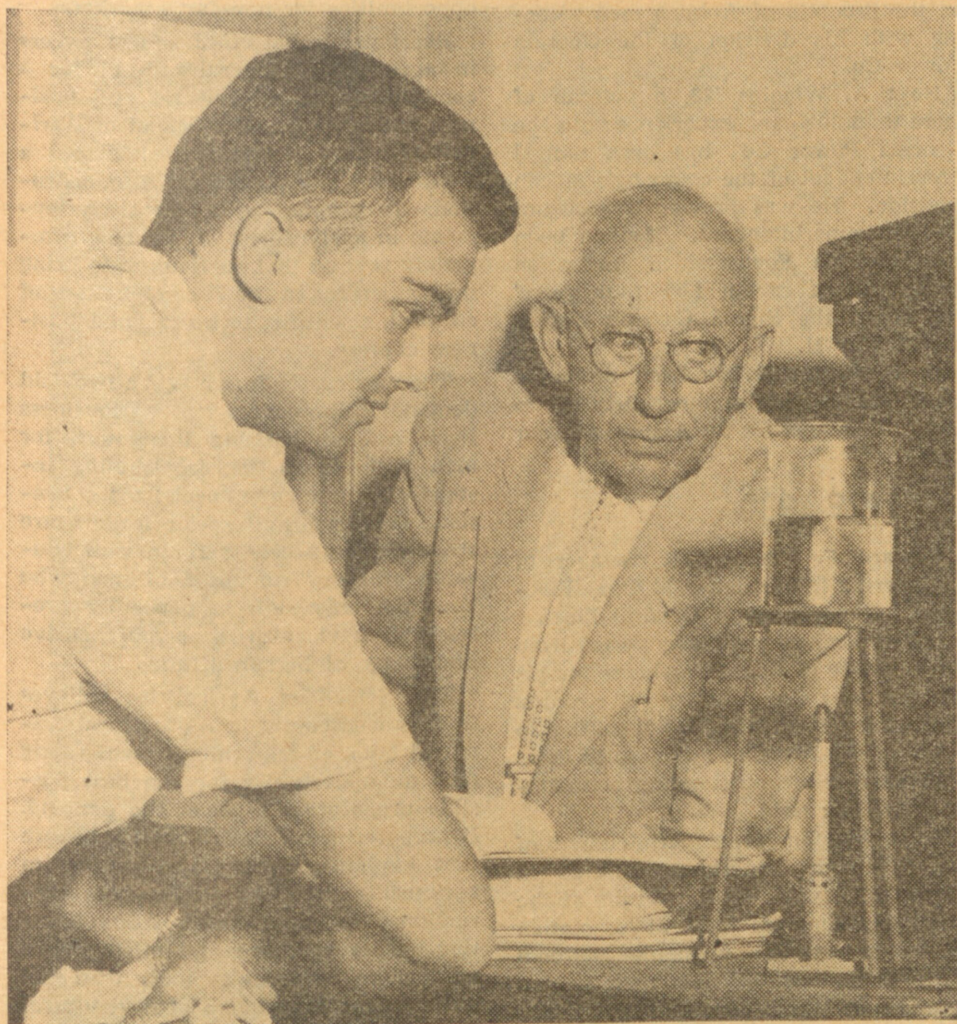
Time has not dimmed the luster of Prof. Parker Preston Powell's penetrating gaze nor diminished his acute insight and his warm interest in the welfare of his students. Now in his last quarter of teaching he exhibits the same characteristics that have made him an Auburn legend.

For 49 years he has been a demanding and at the same time an understanding teacher of chemistry on the Plains. His students have learned chemistry and something more—some of them would say "life"—from this dynamic, humorous, kindly son of Auburn, who came to college and stayed.

Born at Yantley in Choctaw County, Parker Preston Powell came to Auburn in 1907 and received a Bachelor of

Science in 1910. He immediately accepted an Auburn teaching fellowship and began teaching and working for a Master's which he received in 1912. In 1913 he became a full-time member of the chemistry faculty as an assistant professor and later moved up to the rank of associate and then full professor.

Since he began there has been no in-



Prof. P. P. Powell (right), a student, and quantitative analysis.

## In Memoriam — '97 Through '57

Warren H. McBryde '97, a consulting engineer of San Francisco, California, died there on March 25, 1959. He was 83.

In an editorial upon his death, the *San Francisco Engineer* said, "... Mr. McBryde has been most eminent in social, governmental, engineering, and civic affairs."

He began his service to his country with the Corps of Engineers during the Spanish American War; he continued it in World War I with the Munitions Department in the construction and operation of 12 large TNT plants; and added to it during World War II within the Supply Department as Chief of the Mechanical Engineering Unit for redesign of camp and cantonment equipment, as Chief Engineer of Munitions Plant Unit, as Chief Consulting Mechanical Engineer, and finally as Chief

of the Engineering Division of the Transportation Corps.

He was instrumental in the formation of the San Francisco Engineering Societies Personnel Service and was a former chairman of the Advisory Board of the Contra Costa County Chamber of Commerce, former mayor of Hercules, Calif., former president of the Industrial Association of San Francisco, and a member of the Advisory Board for the College of Engineering of the University of Santa Clara.

A fellow member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, he held various offices in the society, including the national vice presidency in 1937 and the national presidency in 1940.

Before establishing his consulting offices in 1927, he had been engineer for the companies that merged to form the Pacific Gas and Electric Co., superintendent of California engineering and construction for DuPont, and secretary of the Hawaiian Sugar Refining Co.

Sidney Goode Tait '00 died in a Birmingham hospital of a heart attack on March 26, 1959. He was 83.

He was born in Camden (Ala.) and had resided in Birmingham for the past 42 years.

Survivors include his wife, the former Minnie Gayle Palfrey; and a son, George Palfrey Tait of Camden, S.C.

The *Alumnews* has been informed that William Bernie Farrar '14, a native of Albertville and a former resident of Socorro, N. Mex., has been dead for four or five years (Further information will be appreciated).

Arthur Zellars Heard '14 and M.S., 15, a retired employee of TCI in Birmingham, died on April 14, 1959, following a heart attack.

A native of Auburn, Mr. Heard graduated in mechanical engineering; he retired four years ago and was 69 at the time of his death. He was a member

of his teaching service. He pursued advanced study of chemistry in the summers at the University of Wisconsin. Ross Square would not hold his former students; yet he has a fabulous memory for names and faces. At class reunions, he can re-introduce many former classmates.

During his earlier years, Prof. Powell taught all of the freshman chemistry students, either in the laboratory or in lecture. At times he taught as many as 35 hours a week. For the past 30 years, he has specialized in quantitative analysis.

He married the former Sue Graham Rothrock, and they have a son, Parker P. Powell, Jr., '35, who is a chemical engineer in Edwardsville, Ill.

Of his career Prof. Powell says, "Auburn people don't get rich, but I have led a truly pleasant and rewarding life here." Of his plans, "I will continue my hobby of mineralogy and find enough other things to do to keep from getting bored with life." All who know him will agree that Prof. Powell will never get bored with life or make life boring to those around him.

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# Auburn Alumnalities

Wins Rome Fellowship—

## 1906-1908

E. P. (Phil) Lacey '06, who has been an engineer with the U. S. Government for 20 years, has retired and is living at the Pershing Hotel in Atlanta, Ga.

E. T. Rouse '07 has moved from Mobile to Route 1, Camden.

Will R. Winship '08 spends his winters in Avon Park, Fla., and his summers in Lavallette, N. J.

## 1913-1918

Issac L. Stewart '13 has moved to Atmore from Huntsville.

Robert L. Groover '14 of Wilmington, N.C., has returned to the United States after spending 15 months in Iraq as a representative of Transportation Consultants, Inc. Mr. Groover was sent to Iraq as an advisor to the Iraqi Railways, Baghdad, and was in that country during July 14 Revolution and seven of the hectic post-revolutionary months. Before retiring to go with Transportation Consultants, he was Assistant General Manager of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad.

Horace Lindsay Cooke, Sr., '18 of Bessemer visited in the Loveliest Village recently and did some more reminiscing about bygone days. He has a

grandson, Charles Lindsay Cooke (son of Horace L. Cooke, Jr., '41), living in Magnolia Hall and studying veterinary medicine. Magnolia Hall seems a palace to the senior Cooke, who studied by kerosene lamp and a coal stove when he was on the Plains.

## 1920-1922

Joel E. Johnson '20, Geneva textile official and banker, is the new president of the Alabama Textile Manufacturers Association.

John Lewis Whatley '21 of Opelika has been appointed to the Alabama State Milk Control Board. The Opelika dairy products manufacturer is a former state senator.

Earnest G. Small '21 has moved to Sheffield from Athens.

Lucien K. Basore '22 is sales service manager for the American Creosoting Corp. in Louisville, Ky.

## 1924-1925

John E. Wiatt '24 has been named manager of the Macon Division of the Georgia Power Co. Before his recent promotion, he had served as division superintendent for seven years. He joined the Georgia Power Co. in 1927 after having worked with General Electric Co. in Schenectady, N.Y.

Albert T. East '25 is living on his farm in Delta, having retired last June from his position with the Alabama State Department of Education.

Joe D. Bell '25 is vice president of the Alpha Portland Cement Co. in New York City.

New Addresses: Eugene M. Creel '25, Tampa, Fla.; William J. Squires '25, Carabelle, Fla.; Dr. Samuel O. Benson, '25, Mobile; Mrs. Carrie E. Hope, '25, Marianna, Fla.

## 1927-1928

Redus Collier '27 of Decatur has been reappointed as a member of the API Board of Trustees by Gov. John Patterson. The appointment for a new twelve-year term is subject to confirmation by the Alabama Senate.

Maj. Gen. Stanhope B. Mason '27, commanding general of the IV U.S. Army Corps (Res.) of Birmingham, spoke at the dedication of the new Army Reserve Center in Montgomery on April 14 and was honored at a luncheon at the Reserve Center.

C. W. (Red) Roberts '27 of Macon, Ga., vice president of the Georgia Power Co., is a busy executive that finds time to serve as a volunteer reporter for the *Alumnnews*, which he is keeping posted on the progress of Auburn men working with his division of the Georgia Power Co.

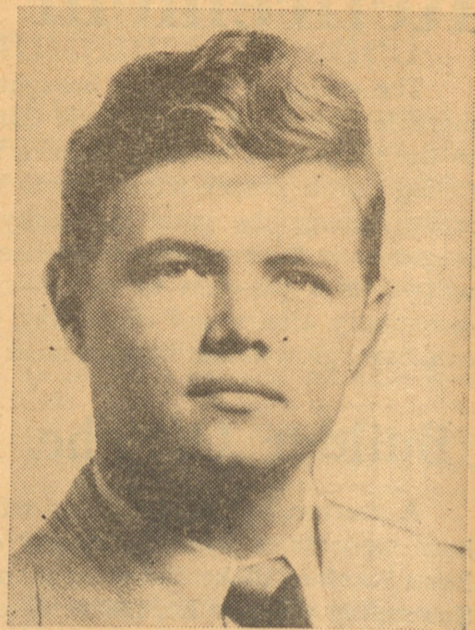
Hoyt A. Wiggins '28, a veteran of more than 30 years' experience with the Georgia Power Co., has been named superintendent of the company's Macon Division. He was previously assistant division superintendent. He has been with Georgia Power since graduation from Auburn except for four years' service in the Signal Corps during World War II.

R. E. Pride '28 has been promoted from Mobile District superintendent to District manager for the Alabama Power Co.

## 1929-1930

Edward F. Herzog '29, manager of engineering in the Heavy Military Electronics Department of General Electric Co., has received a Fellows award from the Institute of Radio Engineers for his contributions to military electronics. The award is the highest membership grade of the Institute and goes to those who have made outstanding contributions in their field.

E. L. Mayton '29, superintendent of the Piedmont Experiment Station at Camp Hill, explained the results of the latest experimental work at his station to stockholders of the Opelika National Farm Loan Association at their annual meeting on March 28.



Alfred K. Frazer '49 has won the Rome fellowship in classical studies from the American Academy of Fine Arts. He will go to Italy in September for a year's study. After leaving Auburn, he earned an M.A. at New York University, where he is currently working toward a Ph.D.

## Auburn Prepares Men For Growing Demands Of 'Agri-Business'

Agri-business is a new word that is fast gaining currency in Alabama and the nation. The *Alumnnews*, which is fundamentally conservative about linguistic innovations, isn't very happy with this word coined by a Harvard professor, but we have to admit that agribusiness (Since we are in process of accepting it as a word, let's eliminate the hyphen) serves the very important purpose of calling attention to a fundamental economic fact: The term describes the interrelated activities of producing crops and livestock, of processing and marketing farm products from the farm to the final consumer, and of supplying farmers with the materials and services used in agricultural production.

Agribusiness is big business in Alabama, for it provides employment for 73% of the State's labor force and accounts for a net production value of 2.5 billion dollars annually. Less than half of the workers employed in agribusiness are engaged in primary farm production—a fact that means many job opportunities for non-farm workers.

Recognizing that off-the-farm careers in agribusiness generally call for a combination of agricultural and business training, the API School of Agriculture many years ago established a curriculum in Agricultural Administration. In keeping with recent developments in agribusiness, it has now completely revised that curriculum to bring into existence a new combination of cultural, scientific, technical, and business courses.

The new curriculum meets a two-fold demand: Employers in agribusiness firms are emphasizing their need for men with broad general training instead of a narrowly specialized education. Political and social leaders are stressing the necessity for a well educated citizenry composed of men who have not only skill in particular professions but also a comprehensive knowledge of human affairs.

The School of Agriculture believes that its curriculum in Agricultural Administration (Agribusiness) gives young men an opportunity for the best possible preparation to meet the demand. It prepared for Village Fair a brochure that explains career opportunities in agribusiness and the agribusiness curriculum in Agricultural Administration. This brochure and other information are available to those who will write to the Department of Agricultural Economics, API School of Agriculture, API, Auburn.

## Retirements Continued—

## Distinguished Teacher And Scientist



Dr. C. L. Isbell and multiplying onions, first planted 25 years ago.

Fortunately, no one has to decide whether Dr. Charles L. Isbell has made his greatest contribution to Auburn and Alabama through teaching or through research. Serving Auburn continuously for almost 43 years, he has achieved remarkable results as both professor of horticulture and research horticulturist.

His outstanding teaching service brought him last year the first "L. M. Ware Distinguished Teaching Award" of the Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science. This signal honor gave formal recognition to a fact that his students and former students already knew well. With sparkling humor and thorough knowledge, he has taught horticultural subjects to numberless Auburn students, including more than two-thirds of Alabama's county agents and vocational agricultural teachers.

He has inspired his students not only to study like scientists but also to live as gentlemen and ladies. He has found the employment that has enabled many Alabama agricultural leaders and other outstanding Auburn graduates to finance their college education when other means were not available.

In research he has demonstrated the value of native materials in the development of new varieties through breeding. In the fields and gardens of Alabama he has discovered the parent stock of productive, disease-resistant new varieties. He has bred and introduced more than a dozen delicious new

varieties of Southern peas, pumpkins, onions, watermelons, tomatoes, lettuce, and pole beans.

From his research, teaching, and study have come more than 125 papers published as Experiment Station Bulletins or as articles in agricultural and horticultural journals and publications. His comprehensive handbook on vegetable gardening has served as a basic text for the Vegetable Gardening Course at Auburn for 20 years.

Born in Albertville, Charles L. Isbell first attended Jacksonville State College and taught for seven years in Alabama public schools. He came to Auburn for a B.S., which he received in 1917; and he then began his long career with Auburn. In 1918, he received an M.S. from Auburn and in 1928 a Ph.D. for which he earned residency requirements by summer study, from Michigan State College.

Dr. Isbell is married to the former Alma Bentley and they have two sons—Charles L., Jr., '42, with DuPont in Charleston, W. Va., and Harry, with the Alabama State Finance Dept. in Montgomery.

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## In Memoriam — '97 Through '57

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of the Ensley Highlands Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, the former Carrie Higginbotham of Anniston, and a daughter, Mrs. Lamar Ware, Jr. (Libby Heard '48), of Auburn.

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Elisha Cleveland Johnson '19 of Bartow, Fla., died on February 4, 1959.

A chemistry graduate, he had been with Armour Fertilizer Works for 39 years and was manager of the Armour Phosphate Corp. in Bartow at the time of his death.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Curtis V. Tillman (Margaret Johnson '48) of Avondale Estates, Ga.

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Roy S. Grooms '27, longtime federal government engineer, died unexpectedly at his home in Atlanta on April 13, 1959, at the age of 58.

He had been with the federal government for 23 years, having served in Washington, D. C., with Public Building Service of the Maritime Commission and Corps of Engineers for 12 years before going to Atlanta in 1951 as architectural engineer for Public Building Service, General Services Administration. Prior to his federal service, he worked with the state highway departments of Kentucky, Alabama, and Tennessee.

A native of Alabama, he was a Mason and a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. R. E. Robison (Nancy Helen Grooms '59), now of Dallas, Tex.

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William H. Curtright '33 of Tuskegee died in a Montgomery hospital on April 11, 1959, at the age of 47. He was a member of the Tuskegee Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Elinor Curtright; and two sons, William H. Curtright, Jr., '58, and Troy Lewis Curtright, all of Tuskegee.

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Dr. Thomas T. Wiggins '35 died at his home in Brewton on April 13, 1959, at the age of 48.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Edna Wiggins, and his son, Thomas T., Jr., of Brewton; and a brother, Dr. Agee Wiggins '46 of Auburn.

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Billy A. Caudle '57, an employee of the Alabama State Industrial Planning Board in Montgomery, died in Talladega on April 1 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on March 29.

He was returning to Montgomery from a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Caudle of Talladega, when the accident occurred.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his wife and daughter, Cathy; four brothers, Stanton Caudle of Memphis; Harold C. Caudle '45 of Nashville; Roy C. Caudle '52 of Talladega; and Jimmie Dale Caudle '57 of Amarillo, Tex.

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Alfred A. Strauss '30 is associated with Tippetts - Abnett - McCarthy - Stratton, Engineers, in New York City.

Hugh D. Whatley '30, Opelika public accountant, spoke on tax problems to Opelika Rotarians recently.

New Addresses: Fred Kytte '30, Hewitt, N.J.; Arley F. Baas '30, Fairhope; Leonard F. Rogers, French Camp, Miss.

### 1931-1933

J. W. Watson '31 has become Auburn Local Agent Emeritus for the State Farm Mutual Insurance Co. He has been State Farm Agent in Auburn for 25 years.

Margaret Williams '31, Opelika teacher, recently spoke to the Auburn Kiwanis Club on "The Supreme Court of the United States."

Mrs. Lela Irwin LeGare '32, veteran Montgomery pharmacist recently installed officers of the Montgomery County Pharmaceutical Society Auxiliary.

Charles A. Bowles '33 is with the Alabama Power Co. in Montgomery.

### 1934-1935

H. W. Green '34 of Auburn is a district supervisor of vocational agriculture in Southwest Alabama.

Mrs. Mary McGehee Greene '34 has been initiated into Mortar Board, national honorary society for outstanding senior women, by virtue of her membership in Cardinal Key, one of the forerunners of the present Mortar Board.

B. B. Nelson '35, superintendent of education for Talladega, was one of five central Alabama educators attending the World Congress of Flight at Nellis AFB in Las Vegas, Nev.

New Addresses: Silas Allen Lacy '34, Warwick, Va.; George R. Bible, Jr., '34, Miami, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Stewart '35 (Elizabeth Wheeler '41), Oxford; Mrs. Guy Lowe (Hazel Prince '35), Birmingham.



Extension Director P. O. Davis and District Farm Agent Jack Taylor

## Retirements Continued—

### Outstanding Agricultural Leader

For many years the name of P. O. Davis '16 has been synonymous with Agriculture Extension in Alabama. Except for two years, one with the Southern Railway and one with The Progressive Farmer, he has served Auburn continuously since his graduation in 1916. He had been director of the Agricultural Extension Service for 22 years when he retired on April 30. (For a more detailed record of Mr. Davis's career see the February issue of The Alumnus.)

His work has brought him many honors including a "Hall of Fame" honor from the American Farm Bureau Federation, but probably the greatest honor of them all is that his name has become a household word in Alabama's rural towns, communities, and countryside.

The agricultural leader and his wife are now planning to become world travelers and are eagerly planning for a freighter cruise around the globe. Whatever their activities—and there will be many—they will maintain headquarters and home at Auburn, where they will always be available to their numerous friends.

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### Retired General, Popular Prof

Since 1948 Gen. James B. Crawford (Brig. Gen., U. S. A., Retired) has been a popular and effective teacher of freshman and sophomore mathematics, algebra, trigonometry, analytics, and calculus—at Auburn. He began his work as an Auburn professor after completing a full military career.

Born in New York City, he graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1911. He was an instructor, first in mathematics and then in mechanics, at West Point from 1914-24. He was an honor graduate of the Command and General Staff School in 1926 and graduated from the Army War College in 1933.

He was an instructor at the Command and General Staff School from 1933-36 and Director of the School in 1936-37. Among his other important assignments were: Graduate Manager of Athletics at West Point 1916-18; Chief of Transportation Service for American Forces in Germany, 1919-20; Chief of Training, Offices Chief Coast Artillery, 1929-32; Commander of Anti-Aircraft Defenses at Puget Sound 1943-44; and President of the Secretary of War's Discharge Review Board 1944-46. He was awarded the Legion of Merit for his organization of and work with the latter board.

Among his classmates at Command and General Staff School were President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Generals Joe Stillwell and Terry Allen. He later served with President Eisenhower in Washington, D. C., and in the Philippines.

Included among his students at West Point and at the Command and General Staff School were Generals Mark Clark, Alfred Gruenther, Anthony MacAuliffe, and Maxwell D. Taylor.

Gen. Crawford leaves Auburn "with deep affection for the institution and sincere appreciation of the fine job that it is doing." Looking at Auburn's record for producing military leaders, The Alumnus ventures that as the professor-general watches the activities of his former students he will find that here too he instructed future generals that will honor his instruction with their accomplishments.

### 1936-1937

Wilson Hill '36, Auburn superintendent of public works, recently presided at a two-day meeting of the American Public Works Association's Alabama Chapter in Montgomery.

James E. Vance '36, vice president of the Birmingham First National Bank, appeared recently as host on a series of television programs sponsored by the Alabama Bankers Association.

Mark R. Nichols '37 of Warwick, Va., is chief of the full-scale research division of the Langley Research Center of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

James M. Pike, Jr., '37 is associated with his father in the Probate Office in Newnan, Ga.

New Addresses: Cornelius D. King, Jr., '36, Huntsville; Dr. Fred O. Barrett '37, Springdale, Ohio.

### 1938

Mrs. Elizabeth Zachry Scott is secretary for the Macon County Hospital in Tuskegee.

J. Carlisle Farrow is associated with Robert and Co. of Atlanta.

Adril L. Wright, Sheffield teacher of high school mathematics, has received a \$5,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to attend a year-long mathematics Institute at Louisiana State University.

James M. Edge is assistant general superintendent of the Fairfield Tin Mill of TCI.

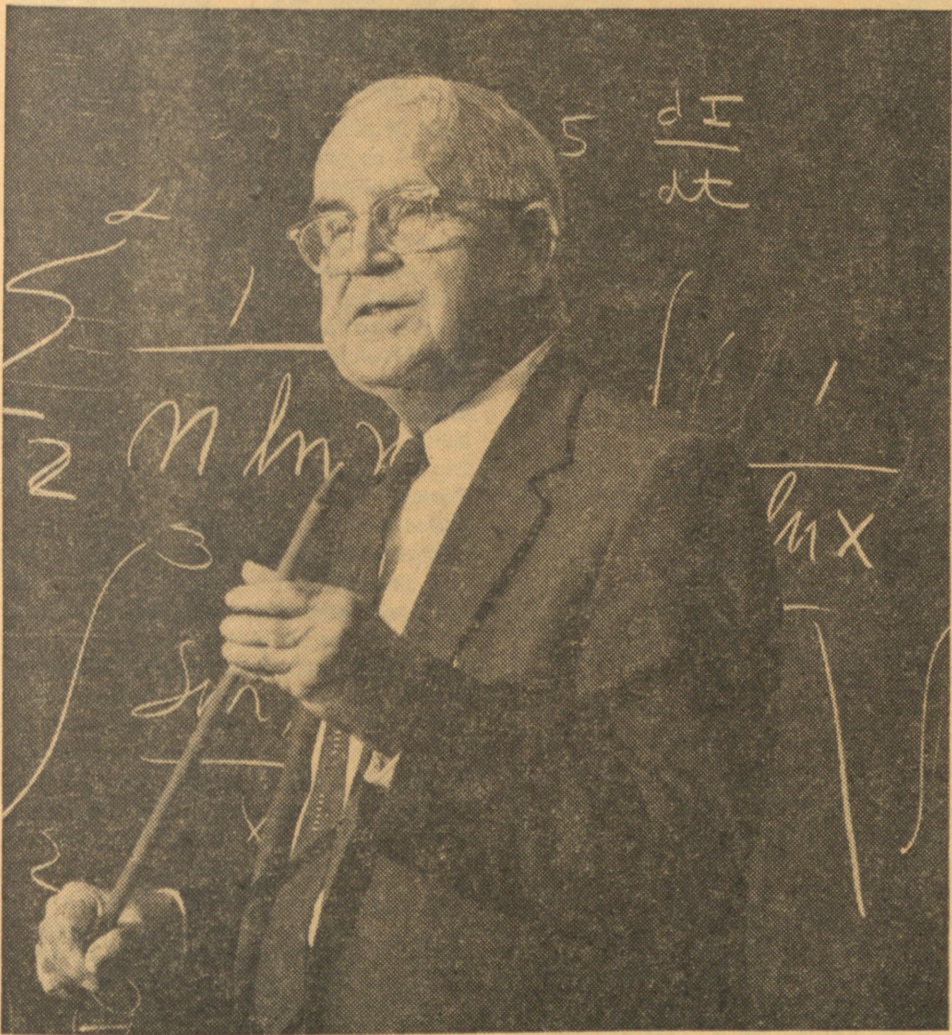
### 1939

J. Wallace Nall is general manager of The Lamson & Sessions Co. in Chicago and resides in LaGrange Park, Ill.

D. P. Whitten has been elected president of the Centre Chamber of Commerce.

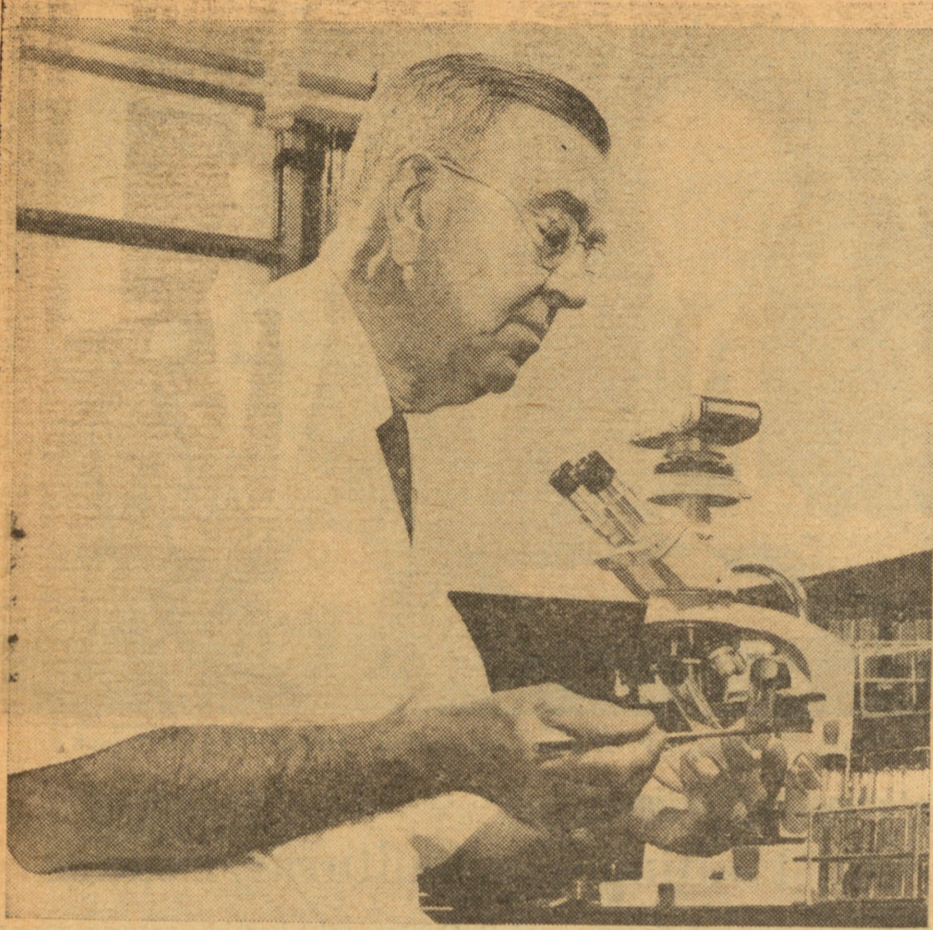
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Gen. James B. Crawford pauses to elucidate a problem.





Dr. Armin A. Leibold at a familiar occupation.

### Retirements Continued—

## Professor, Administrator, Scientist

Since 1946 Dr. Armin A. Leibold has served Auburn as the head professor of the Department of Bacteriology, School of Veterinary Medicine. During these years, he has won widespread esteem as a capable administrator, a perceptive research worker, and a thorough and effective teacher.

It has been said that Dr. Leibold is a hard worker, a profound thinker, a congenial host, and a Christian gentleman, who is an excellent fishing companion but not a good man to have around when one wishes to embellish a fishing catch with broad piscatorial license—He has too much respect for truth to hear an oversized minnow described as a diminutive whale.

Dr. Leibold came to Auburn after a long research career in the biological laboratories of commercial firms. He has served as a bacteriologist for the Research Department of Abbott Laboratories, Director of the Biological Laboratories of The Eagle Co. (1919-1920) and of W. F. Straub & Co. (1920-45), and as a research bacteriologist for The Borden Co. (1945-46).

His assumption of professorial duties at Auburn was not, however, an unanticipated occupational change, but rather a return to his chosen profession. Born in Kentucky, he attended Ohio State University from which he received a D.V.M. degree in 1911 and then entered the general practice of veterinary medicine before returning to Ohio State for graduate study.

Beginning in 1913, he taught for four years at the Chicago Veterinary College as instructor and then assistant professor of bacteriology and pathology and as professor of physiology. Just prior to World War I, he also did some part time work as bacteriologist with Abbott Laboratories.

During World War I, he served as a lieutenant in the Veterinary Corps. In France, he planned, equipped and operated the first veterinary research laboratory in the history of American Expeditionary Forces by remodeling a Napoleonic barracks at Neufchateau (Voges).

After the war, family responsibilities dictated his decision to enter the more remunerative work of bacteriological research for commercial firms, but he maintained a firm resolve to return to college teaching and research. In 1946, with his three children mature, he fulfilled this resolve at a propitious time for Auburn.

In addition to publication of a number of papers based on original research, he has translated three German books on veterinary subjects into English and has translated numerous German scien-

tific articles in recent years. He has four unpublished papers based on recent original research; he will publish these if he finds an opportunity to further substantiate them with additional research.

Retirement doesn't mean quitting for Dr. Leibold. After he and Mrs. Leibold visit their three children and fifteen grandchildren, he will lay more concrete plans for the future, in which he hopes to continue some research on a private basis, do some additional translation, and perhaps hold an overseas lectureship.

## Baltimore Auburnites Meet In Glen Burnie

An informal gathering of Auburn Alumni in the Baltimore, Maryland, area took place on March 13 at Gaskin's Steak House in Glen Burnie. Thirty-one Auburnites enjoyed the dinner and social. Special guests were Lt. Colonel and Mrs. Porter Grant. Colonel Grant '33, president of the Washington, D. C., chapter of Auburn Alumni, entertained the group with amusing anecdotes of his days in the Loveliest Village.

Arrangements for the evening were made by Kenneth Brewer '56 and Stacy Howard Hockett, Jr. '56. A steering committee of Kenneth Brewer '56, George A. Carden '30, Howard Hockett '56, Frank B. Gunter '40, and Dr. Edmund James '43 was designated to make plans for another dinner meeting the first week in October, at which time there will be a decision made with regard to becoming an Auburn Alumni Chapter.

Also attending, besides those already named were: Lew Armstrong '47, Mrs. Kenneth Brewer, Mrs. George Carden, Robert Donaldson '52, Mrs. Annie D. Donaldson '44, Mrs. Nancy B. Hockett, '56, Archie McGillivray '40 and Mrs. McGillivray, Keith Myers '53, Dr. Robert Richman '38 and Mrs. Richman, Perry Sorrell '56 and Mrs. Sorrell, Hubert Stone '40, Charles Vaughn '37 and Mrs. Vaughn, Howard Wheeler '36 and Mrs. Wheeler, James Wilcox '53, and Mrs. Wilcox, Harold Wilson '51, Robert Wilson '51, Joseph Wood '38 and Mrs. Wood.

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

**New Addresses:** Samuel T. Memory, Atlanta, Ga.; Thomas H. Gladney, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Carter N. Clements, Birmingham; Robert J. McClure, Jr., Roanoke, Va.; Charles L. Hollingsworth, Montevallo; Maj. Henry E. Kelly, Springfield, Va.

### 1940

Commander Woodrow T. Walker, (SC) USN, and family are on Midway Island. He is married to the former Margaret Elizabeth Young of Marion and they have two children—Betsy, 9, and Woody, 5.

Mildred Loone Sconyers Payne is assistant home agent for Mobile County.

Mrs. Ruth Lowe Brittin and Mrs. Hulda Rutland Smith have been initiated into Mortar Board, national honorary society for senior women. Their induction came as a result of their having been members of Sphinx, a forerunner of the present Mortar Board. Sphinx and Cardinal Key merged at Auburn in 1955 to become the 95th chapter of Mortar Board. Mrs. Brittin is assistant to the dean of the API Graduate School. Mrs. Smith is an API instructor in Home Economics.

Maiben C. Reynolds, registered pharmacist, is the owner of Reynolds Pharmacy in Birmingham.

**New Addresses:** Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Harlin (Elsie Moses '39), Tampa, Fla.; Charles R. McCoy, Bartow, Fla.; Paul F. Carr, Headland; Mrs. Elizabeth Steele Huie, Whittier, Calif.; Eliza Clark MacAtee, New Orleans, La.

### 1941

William W. Meadows, Jr., has been appointed a district representative at Lubbock, Tex., for Lutheran Brotherhood, fraternal life insurance society. He and his wife, Frances, have three children—Evona, Barbara, and John.

Horace L. Cooke, Jr., is assistant controller of Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation in Birmingham.

**New Addresses:** Ralph C. Henderson, Jr., Tampa, Fla.; Robert M. Langley, Huntsville.

### 1942

Lt. Col. George H. McBryde of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency at Huntsville has been awarded the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service.

**New Addresses:** Harry W. Reynolds, Knoxville, Tenn.; Lt. Col. Thomas L. Burson, Jackson, Miss.

### 1943

Clarence N. Irby is city sales manager for Delta Air Lines in Columbus, Ohio.

Harry Lowe, API professor of art, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Southeastern College Art Association.

Joe A. Hamil, Jr., is a mechanical engineer with Engineering Branch, Industrial Division, Ground Equipment Engineering Section of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency in Huntsville.

**New Addresses:** Dr. Cecil E. Price, Evergreen; Jerry D. Butt, Birmingham; Jacob R. Shepherd, Jr., Marion, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Bjurberg (Katherine Blake '42), Chamblee, Ga.

### 1944-1945

Wilbur C. High '44 is now a representative for State Farm Insurance in Auburn.

Anacle Riggs '45 is a director of the Pilot Club of Montgomery.

**New Addresses:** Hubert B. Wells '44, Decatur; Hugh D. Davis '45, Atlanta, Ga.; Sarah Frances Smith '45, El Paso, Tex.

### 1946

Born: a son, Bronier Thibaut, to Mrs. Mary Thibaut Rives and her husband of New Orleans. The young lad bears the name of his grandfather, Bronier Thibaut, who was a member of the Class of 1913. The Rives also have two other sons and a daughter.

James B. Richards, Jr., has been promoted to lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He is presently serving on Okinawa.

### 1947

Harold O' Kelley has been promoted to section head with Radiation, Inc., Melbourne, Fla., and has been assigned the Radar Systems Section. O'Kelley had previously served as API associate professor, and as an industrial consultant. He joined Radiation, Inc., in 1957.

William F. (Bill) Harris, who has been head football coach at Woodlawn in Birmingham, has been named permanent boys adviser there.

William Tamblyn, API associate professor of music, recently presented another piano concert in Langdon Hall. Tamblyn has gained recognition as a pianist and organist throughout Alabama and the Southeast.

State Sen. Yetta G. Samford, Jr., of Opelika has been appointed to a nine-member Advisory Council to aid the Alabama State Department of Industrial Relations. Samford represents employers on the Council.

Born: a daughter, Grace Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude H. Moore of Auburn on April 8. . . . A son, Albert Kemper, III, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert K. Davis, Jr., of Montgomery on March 12. . . . A daughter, Mary Leanne, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Botsford of Opelika on April 1.

**New Addresses:** Bruce M. Clark, Jr., Jonesboro, Ga.; Mrs. Cora Reeves Allen, Ozark; William M. Holmes, Palo Alto, Calif.; Donald F. Forry, Princeton, N.J.; Capt. William J. Plewes, El Paso, Tex.; Robert P. Andrews, Fort Walton, Fla.; Mrs. Claude C. Boykin, Jr., (Henrietta Alison), Atlanta, Ga.; Irene Suzanne Bibba, Oneonta, N.Y.

### 1948

George E. Hinson, GM2, is at the Naval Air Station at Agana on Guam.

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### J. McCoy Oliver Retires—



J. MCCOY OLIVER . . . executive

On Feb. 1, James McCoy Oliver '45 retired as executive vice president and general manager of the Georgia Power Co. after 44 years of service with the power company and its affiliates. He continues residence in Atlanta.

Receiving a B.S. in electrical engineering from Auburn in 1915, he joined the Alabama Power Company in that year and worked with it from Birmingham headquarters until 1927, when he left his post as operating engineer to become operating manager for Georgia Power.

He became vice president in charge of operation for Georgia Power in 1944, vice president and general manager in 1951, and executive vice president and general manager in 1957.

He is married to the former Margaret Louise Hardwick of Birmingham and they have a daughter, Hardwicke.

Mr. Oliver is a life member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, a member of the Georgia Engineering Society and a director for Southern Services, Inc. He also holds membership in The Cathedral of St. Philip (Episcopal Church), the Atlanta Kiwanis Club, the Piedmont Driving Club, and Atlanta Men's Garden Club.

At Auburn he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity and Spades, honorary fraternity.



## A Forward And A Backward Look

### SPRINGTIME WRAPUP . . .

Alumni will be happy to know that the national football magazines couldn't decide whether Zeke Smith or Jackie Burkett should be pre-season All-Americans, so they put both of them on their teams. These slick mags will be on the newsstands during August.

Shot Putter Richard Crane is the first weightman to ever put the shot 55 feet in a South-eastern Conference Track Championship. Lanky Richard did this at Baton Rouge to set a new SEC record of 55-1 3/4. On his sixth throw of the meet he set a record of 54-4, then saw Tech's Ed Nutting erase this with a record 54-10 3/4.



Richard Crane

Showing a great competitive spirit, the Cairo, Ga., sophomore stepped into the ring as the last thrower and thrilled the stands with his 55-footer.

If you're curious about Auburn and the team finals in the SEC for the past year, here are the totals: Football, second; Basketball, tied with Kentucky for second; Wrestling, first; Baseball, tied for second in Eastern Division; Track, third in Championships and undefeated during season; Golf, third in SEC for highest finish ever, and Tennis, down the line.

Junior Alan Koch (pitcher-outfielder-first baseman) won the 1959 Auburn batting crown with a .419 batting average. The Tiger record is .432 set by Jim Pyburn back in 1954.

Never has one athlete done so much as Lloyd Nix did during his Auburn career. The graduating lefty quarterbacked 24 Tiger football games and Auburn recorded no losses and one National Championship. In baseball for two years he pitched six games and lost none.



Lloyd Nix

Watching 210-pound Fullback Jimmy Bonner run the low hurdles to smash all of Coach Wilbur Hutsell's freshman records for the event, makes football-minded fans wonder what the East Point, Ga., boy will do before he climaxes his career. An outstanding athlete, Bonner is also one of the most colorful competitors to hit the campus in many a day.

Football ticket sales are in high gear and another record-breaking year is in progress. The first priority group is in the driver's seat for ducats, as planned.

Putting Georgia Tech and Georgia on the 1960 season ticket is causing brisk season ticket sales this season because re-order patrons next year will have first crack at these tickets after the first priority orders are filled. Games on the '59 season ticket are Hardin-Simmons, Kentucky, Florida, Mississippi State, and Mississippi Southern. The book sells for \$21.00 each.

The mile relay combination of Leonard Allen, Bobby Webb, Paul Krebs, and Tommy Waldrip set a new Auburn record for this relay in the SEC meet by running 3:18.0. This was the second best time ever recorded in the Championships also. Oddly enough, three are from Birmingham, while Waldrip represents Montgomery.

Basketball Coach Joel Eaves has been approached by a national printing company and will author a book on basketball. It'll take approximately a year to author the book.

Junior Tackle Ken Rice has joined Burkett and Smith as pre-season All-SEC pick. The 245-pound Rice is recognized by the conference coaches as the best tackle prospect to hit the league since Kentucky's Lou Michaels. By

the way, did you notice that Rice was fifth in the SEC shot put?

The two hottest track prospects among the high schoolers in Georgia and Alabama have signed Auburn football scholarships. One is Kenney Winter, Murphy of Mobile, who was voted the "Most Outstanding Trackman" in the State for 1959 with winning performances in the low and high hurdles (:20.3 and :15.3), and anchored the winning quarter-mile and mile relays. The other is sprinter Gary Ray of North Whitfield, Ga., who has run the 100 in :9.7 and the 220 in :21.2. Winter is a quarterback while Ray runs from halfback.

### Look Ahead To Class Reunions This Fall

Now is the time to look ahead to the class reunions this fall. The classes of 1909 and 1934 have scheduled their respective fiftieth and twenty-fifth anniversary reunions for October 30-31.

In the time intervening between the present and that date let's use the "Alumnalities" columns of the *Alumnews* to renew old acquaintances. The *Alumnews* has a standing invitation to every alumnus to send us a line about where you are and what you are doing, but this is a special invitation to members of the reunion classes. Let's pass on the news about members of '09 and '34 to everyone and let's see which class can outdo the other in getting news in.

### George Jester Promoted—



GEORGE H. JESTER

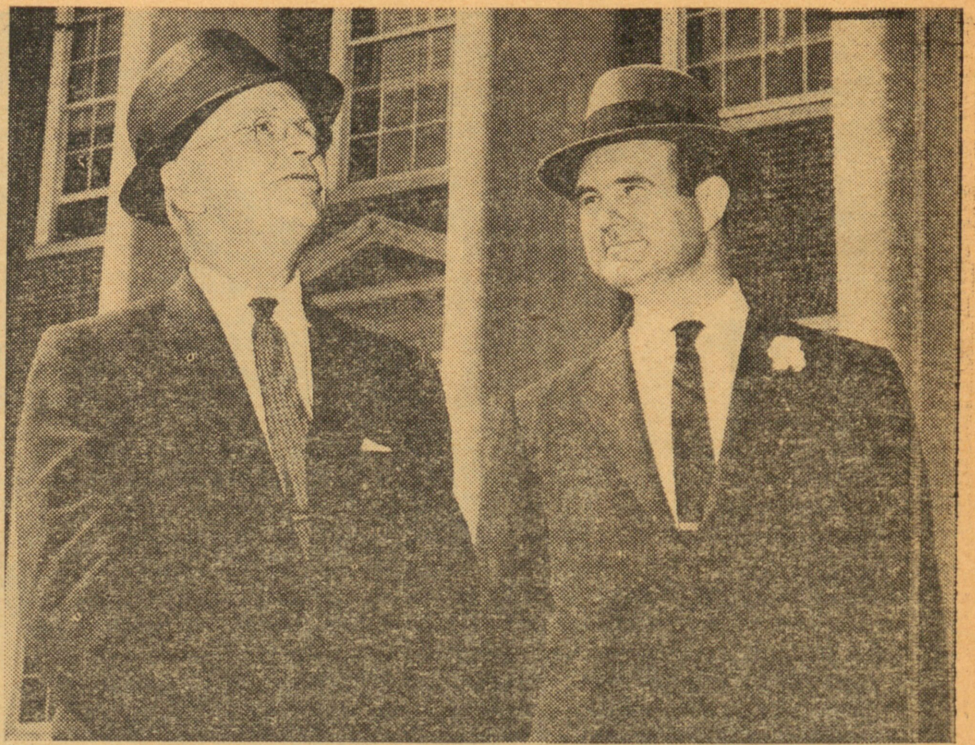
George H. Jester '28 has been promoted to vice president of the Federal Land Bank of New Orleans. He has been connected with the land bank system since 1933, serving as an appraiser in Alabama for 23 years and as assistant vice-president since 1956.

He and his wife, the former Elizabeth Dees of Mount Meigs, have three daughters: Anne, a junior at Tulane-Newcomb College in New Orleans; Jane, a freshman at Auburn; and Mary George, a student at McMann Junior High in New Orleans.

A native of Camp Hill, Mr. Jester worked for the Alabama State Department of Agriculture as a chemist and at Auburn as an instructor and soil chemist before joining the Federal Land Bank and the Farm Credit Administration.

### Gems From Freshman Themes

To be an All-American it show your athletic ability and potency.



AUBURN'S PRESIDENT AND ALABAMA'S GOVERNOR—What President Ralph B. Draughon and Governor John Patterson were discussing at this juncture of the Governor's inspection of Auburn on Governor's Day no one knows. But it's a safe bet that they were thinking about the important role that Auburn can play in the creation of a better Alabama.

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

Emory Cunningham, assistant advertising manager at Birmingham for The Progressive Farmer, has been appointed to the board of directors for the farm magazine company.



Cunningham

Blake Livingston, Oneonta, is county engineer for Blount County. George A. McGowan has joined the engineering department at Monsanto Chemical Company's Inorganic Chemicals Division plant at Monsanto, Tenn. He was previously with the Mathieson Alabama Chemical Corp.

Dr. John S. Yow, Jr., is chief resident of Internal Medicine Service at the VA Hospital in Birmingham.

New Addresses: Alan R. Barton, Jr., Tuscaloosa; Willard D. Mulvaney, Beaumont, Tex.; Leonard Hensel, Falls Church, Va.; Mary P. Brown, Pasadena, Calif.; Mrs. Mary Kilpatrick Stokes, Elmore; The Rev. John W. Eddins, Jr., Raleigh, N.C.; Herbert G. Williams, Forest Park, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Allen, Jr. (Emalyn Jones), Cincinnati, Ohio; Robert A. Masters, Smyrna, Ga.; Charles K. Brown, Las Cruces, New Mexico; Claudius L. Payne, Silver Springs, Md.; Mrs. Gloria Mason McDonnell, Springfield, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Carson H. Sammons (Frances Harwell '49), Albuquerque, New Mexico; Lyle H. Peterson, Lillian; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Edwards, Jr. (Jean Standridge '53), Alexander City.

### 1949

James S. Farrior, Jr., is chief of Guidance Section of the Guidance and Control Laboratory of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency in Huntsville.

W. A. Ellis, Jr., has been elected president of the Cherokee County Cattlemen's Association.

Robert O. Baxter is with the Bag Pac Division of International Paper Co. in Litchfield, Ill.

Dr. Harold Dumas is an intern at Mobile County Hospital, Mobile.

Woodfin Patterson principal of Geneva High School, has been appointed superintendent of Geneva County Schools effective July 1.

Max J. Howard, Jr., executive vice president of Fort Payne Bank, Ft. Payne, has been elected to the board of trustees of Snead College in Boaz.

Born: a daughter, Karen Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McCurdy of Lowndesboro on March 10.

New Addresses: Andrew J. Hughes, Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. Robert I. Thompson (Betty Weaver), Gadsden; Richard H. McLemore, Mobile; James W. Moore, Jr., Monroe, La.; Edward J. Velton, Jr.,

Chino, Calif.; Terry F. Bayne, Birmingham; Charles N. Small, Ft. Smith, Ark.; Helene Small, Ft. Smith, Ark.; Denzil C. Robbins, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.; Arnold Whisenant, East Gadsden; Dr. Wiley Carl Holland, Gainesville, Fla.; Jefferson V. Hamm, Mobile.

### 1950

Edward Howard Lightsey is with the Department of Conservation in Columbia.

Fred E. Digesu is deputy chief of the Flight Dynamics Branch of the Guidance and Control Laboratory at the Army Ballistic Missile Agency in Huntsville.

Flora Goff is employed at the Lovelace Clinic in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The Rev. T. Furman Cauthen MS '50 has been named "Man of the Year" for Anson, Tex. He is pastor of the Anson Church of Christ.

Frank J. Sego is chairman of Birmingham's Good Neighbor Committee.

Marshall R. Rodgers has been promoted from district traffic manager II to district traffic manager I with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph in Birmingham.

Ted W. Harper is a salesman for National Gypsum Co. in Birmingham.

New Addresses: John P. Milligan, Girard, Ohio; Frederick T. Duart, W. Islip, Long Island, N.Y.; James W. Reeves, West Hyattsville, Md.; Joseph S. Jones, Cuthbert, Ga.; William L. Kennedy, Jr., Riviera Beach, Fla.; James C. McPherson, Bel Air, Md.; Dr. Robert L. Kominek and wife, Laura Drillard '51, Jacksonville, Fla.; David W. Scobey, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Carolyn Naftel Powell, Miami, Fla.; John L. Skinner, Jr., Montgomery; Capt. and Mrs. William L. Hornsby (Jane Owsley '53), Middletown, Pa.; Angus O. Ott, Jr., New Orleans, La.

### 1951

Lois Eugene Dumas teaches science and mathematics at Blount Junior High School in Pensacola, Fla.

Capt. Pierce M. Meagher has returned to the United States from Baumholder, Germany, and is stationed at Ft. Riley, Kansas.

Maj. Milford D. Harris, Jr., is at the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.

James E. Zeigler has joined the agricultural chemicals section of Monsanto Chemical Company's Organic Chemicals Division's sales department. He was previously with Velsicol Corporation.

Born: a daughter, Karen Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. George Harris Krug of Wichita, Kan., on April 4. . . . A daughter, Mary Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Simpson of Birmingham on March 23.

New Addresses: James H. Spinks, Fairfield; Dr. G. Max Autrey, Birmingham. (Continued on page 10)





**PROMOTING AUBURN**—Three members of the Auburn Alumni Association are shown above with high school students they sponsored to attend Dairy Career Day program held during Village Fair. Left to right are Jimmy Racine, Robertsdale, Richard Langley, LaFayette, and Ronnie Hen-

derson, Pinson, high school seniors; John Jacobs, fieldman for American Jersey Cattle Club, Robert Johnson, Robertsdale, and Oscar Crosby, Cosby-Hodges Milling Co., Birmingham, Association members.

## Auburn Receives Four Doctoral Fellowships For Chemistry School

Further recognition of Auburn's School of Chemistry has come in the form of four doctoral fellowships under the National Defense Education Act. Dr. W. V. Parker, Dean of the API Graduate School, announced the fellowship award on May 22.

The fellowships are for a period of three years beginning with the fall of 1959 and are available to beginning graduate students who wish to work for the Ph.D. degree in chemistry.

Each fellowship carries a stipend of \$2,000 for the first year, \$2,200 for the second, and \$2,400 for the third, plus a dependency allowance of \$400 per year for each dependent.

The chemistry fellowships bring the total of doctoral fellowships that Auburn has received under the Defense Education Act to eight. The Department of Mathematics had previously received four similar fellowships.

(Editor's Note: Despite adversity the School of Chemistry, under the leadership of Dean C. R. Saunders '25, has maintained an excellent staff and high instructional standards. However, among its other needs the School is suffering an acute space shortage. See "Auburn's Urgent Building Needs" elsewhere in this issue.)

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

ham; Alfred B. Hill, La Marque, Tex.; John M. Wolf, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. Bennie Ruth Payne, Greenville; Mrs. Lutie Easter Shamburger, Austin, Tex.; Firman B. Lindsay, Jr., Culpepper, Va.; Mr. Russell S. Long, Cincinnati, Ohio; Harvey L. Corey, Jr., New Iberia, La.; William D. Comstock, Huntsville; Samuel M. John, Tuscaloosa; Duluth G. Pritchett, Samson; Lt. George C. Gallier, Jr., Rome, Ga.; James W. Hudmon, Conyers, Ga.; William B. Culpepper, Panama City, Fla.; James Perry Cobb, Elmore.

### 1952

William B. Parker is a soil scientist with the Soil Conservation Service in Cullman.

Hutson S. Davis is with the Ralston Purina Co. in Greenville, S.C.

Capt. William C. Wilson has been appointed U.S. Marine Corps procurement officer for Alabama, Tennessee, and Florida, with headquarters in the Federal Building in Birmingham.

James N. Neighbors is in his final year as a dental student at the University of Alabama Dental School in Birmingham.

Naval Lt. Keith Sellers is stationed at the Sullivan's Island Station in Charleston, S.C.

E. Wayne Shell has been appointed an assistant fish culturist with the API Agricultural Experiment Station. He was previously with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a fisheries biologist. He received an M.S. from API in 1954 and has completed doctoral studies at Cornell University from which he will receive the Ph.D. degree next month.

Capt. and Mrs. Edmund E. Jarvis (Carol Sanford '56) and sons Michael and Stephen are on Guam, where Capt. Jarvis has gone on a new assignment.

Born: a son, Eugene Edward, to Mr. and Mrs. Chris J. Sherlock, III, of Montgomery on March 21.

Married: Laurie Lynn Benson to Arthur Abner Morris, Jr., in Geneva on May 10. They are living in Dothan. . . . Glenda Lee White to Hanchey E. Logue, Jr., in Coolidge, Ga., on May 2. They are living in Atlanta, where he is employed by The Atlanta Constitution.

New Addresses: Billy L. Lane, Tampa, Fla.; Carl H. Yeager, Tuscaloosa; Melvin H. Sanders, Graham, N.C.; James R. Farris, Macon, Ga.; Dudley B. Powell, Montgomery; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley A. Woodman (Beverly Barnette), Montgomery; Albert C. Grundmann, El Paso, Tex.; George D. Ward, La Puente, Calif.;

Dr. and Mrs. Albert Pittman (Mary Barron '50), Springfield, S.C.

### 1953

Bob Lee Smith is teaching at Smiths Station and lives in Cataula, Ga.

Charles L. Jones, Jr., has been promoted to captain with the U.S. Air Force and is stationed at Loring AFB, Maine.

Ralph M. Smith is a district lubrication man for the Texas Company and resides in Macon, Ga.

Frank Worth Stevenson is working with the VA Hospital in Nashville, Tenn.

Born: a daughter, Polly Conner, to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Robertson of New Orleans on April 15.

Donald E. Corley is with the American Cast Iron Pipe Co. in Birmingham.

New Addresses: Wallace P. Flowers, Birmingham; Mrs. Fey Fraser Rumbarger, Cincinnati, Ohio; Lt. Lynwood C. Dunseith, Cleveland, Ohio; Roy M. Horton, Wildwood, Ill.; George R. Connor, Cocoa, Fla.; Lt. and Mrs. John T. Caldwell (Ann Marie Kerr), Montgomery; John C. French, Selma; Mrs. Nina Belle Theredge Fritz, Gainesville, Fla.; Charles E. Goree, Opelika; Floyd H. Holder, Seattle, Wash.; Joel H. Traylor, Pinellas Park, Fla.; Beverly L. Hedge, Bay Minette; James W. Hosch, III, New Orleans, La.

### 1954

William P. Bickham is working in Design and Structure with RCA in Camden, N.J.

Dr. Daniel Fitzpatrick, Marianna, Fla., is a field veterinarian for the Florida Livestock Board.

John M. Hudson is a pharmacist at the West Gadsden Drug Store, Gadsden.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Clark (Ann Rankin '56) are living in Los Angeles, where he is associated with Richard J. Neutra and Robert E. Alexander, Architects.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Shoemaker (Anne Parker) and son, Steven, are living in Atlanta, where Richard has accepted a position as meteorologist with Eastern Air Lines after four years with the Air Force.

Norman G. Sansing, who recently completed work for an M.S. in botany at API, has begun doctoral studies in plant pathology at Iowa State. With him in Ames, Iowa, are his wife, Anne Aycock '57, and daughter, Joyce Anne. John M. Strickland, head football

coach at Geraldine for the past three years, will become head football coach at Mortimer Jordan High School next fall.

Julian Brown, Jr., is working with Sperry Corp. in Clearwater, Fla. After three years as a naval jet fighter pilot, he attended Georgia Tech, where he recently received an M.S. in electrical engineering.

Joseph W. McGinley, Jr., is with Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Birmingham.

L. Alton Wood, Jr., and wife, Becky D'Arcy '58, and daughter Martha, 2, now live in Miami, where he is an accountant with the South Florida Division of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Born: a son, Jeff Allan, to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Andrew Pickens of Montgomery on April 5. . . . A daughter, Anna Kathryn, to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen G. Darby, Jr. (Blanche Golson '57) of Montgomery on March 9. . . . A daughter, Janice Elaine, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keith Thomason of Birmingham on March 29.

New Addresses: Robert C. Cole, Jr., Canoga Park, Calif.; Francis Z. Horton, Winchester, Tenn.; John W. Boozer, Hartselle; William M. Minor, Jr., Birmingham; Lawrence W. Dobbins, Collingwood, N.J.; Mr. and Mrs. James A. Frazier (Edith Faye Hester '48), East Greenbush, N.Y.; Robert B. Quillen, East Gadsden; Beverly R. Watson, Greenville, S.C.; Mrs. Norma Phillips Morris, Leeds; Thomas H. Smith, Jackson, Miss.; Dr. and Mrs. L. Lee Conoly (Emily Brownlee '53), Montgomery; Jack R. Stark, Jr., Steger, Ill.

Married: Lucy Lea Barriger to Walter H. Brand, Jr., in Birmingham on May 15.

### 1955

George Frederick Kirchoff, Jr., has joined the Project Engineering Division of Atlantic Research Corporation in Alexandria, Va. He has just recently completed four years of service as a naval aviator. Mr. Kirchoff is married to the former Gene Golson of Prattville. They reside with their young daughter, Eleanor Gene, in Falls Church.

C. Lynn Clayton of Gadsden has been promoted to Internal Auditor for the Southern Steel District of Republic Steel. He is married to Richardene Miller '53.

Frank Smith, formerly Customer Service Manager for Sears, Roebuck and Company in Savannah, Ga., is now Operations Manager for the Jacksonville (Continued on page 11)

## Dairy Alumni Won't Rely On Chance To Secure Trained Men

By Gene Stevenson '51

Alabama's dairy industry is faced with a severe shortage of college-trained men to fill essential positions. But, this situation may be changed in the near future, thanks to efforts of a group of Auburn alumni.

Members of the new Auburn Dairy Alumni Association have a special project underway to interest high school seniors in studying dairying at Auburn. Results of the project are expected to be evident in increased enrollment of students in dairying, beginning this fall.

One phase of the group's program was Dairy Career Day, which was held during Village Fair. Dairy alumni members brought prospective students to Auburn to take part in the special program, as well as all other phases of Village Fair. A luncheon was held at Dairyland Farms on April 11, where the visitors heard discussions of career opportunities in dairying.

John Jacobs, fieldman for the American Jersey Cattle Club, and Walter Barfield, district manager of Foremost Dairies, Montgomery, pointed out that a wide variety of jobs is available for graduates in dairying. In addition to working on dairy farms or for milk plants, such jobs as working with dairy breed organizations, public agencies, equipment manufacturers, and many other jobs are open for graduates, they said.

Dr. Charles F. Simmons, associate dean of the API School of Agriculture, said opportunities for agriculture graduates are brighter than at any time in the past. Dr. K. M. Autrey, dairy husbandry department head, said a recent survey of Alabama milk plants revealed many more jobs becoming available than there are qualified men to fill. This, coupled with the rapid population increase to create greater demands for milk, will result in even more openings in the dairy industry in years to come, he explained.

A tour of laboratory and field research facilities of the dairy husbandry department concluded the Dairy Career Day Program.

Bob Stevenson '50, president of the Auburn Dairy Alumni Association and fieldman for Dairyland Farms, presided at the luncheon.



## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

Paper Co. in Jacksonville, Fla. He and his wife, Jeanne Sims '55, have a son, Frank, III, and a daughter, Linda Kathleen, born last September.

Mrs. Gayle Ryan Lee is a member of the faculty at the University of California.

Imlah Elder Barber is an insurance salesman in Fairfax.

Born: a son, William Edward, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Perry, Jr., of Auburn on April 15. . . . A son, Bryan Bell, III, to Lt. and Mrs. Bryan Bell Marsh in Lake Charles, La., on April 5. The youngest Bryan Bell is, of course, the grandson of Bryan Bell Marsh of the Class of 1923. . . . A son, George Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Staley E. Fincher of Auburn on March 15. . . . A daughter, Lauri Lu, to Lt. and Mrs. William Michael Adair (Jacqueline Waller '55) of 236 Harris Drive, Ft. Rucker, on March 28. Lauri arrived on the birthday of her big sister, Jenni, 2.

New Addresses: Richard L. Haury, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Hugh G. Ward, Brookhaven, Miss.; Lt. and Mrs. Lloyd B. Williams (Joan Gillespie '58), Montgomery; Jack Moseley, Hampton, Md.; Myrtle B. Burford, Mobile; William M. Lee, Montgomery; Leslie M. Kramer, Mobile; Charles C. Gambill, Tipp City, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. James H. Marks, Jr. (Charlotte Goodroe), Huntsville; John R. Seibold, Corvallis, Oregon; George B. Mumma, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Ann Montgomery McCollum, Miami, Fla.; Robert H. Reid, Jr., Downey, Calif.; Lt. Ralph L. Clark, Huntsville; Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Fullerton, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Betty Thrower Freeman, Cairo, Ga.; Lt. Byron L. Carroll, Green Bay, Wis.

### 1956

Capt. Henry Clay Kirk of Ft. Monroe, Va., has been awarded a Certificate of Achievement for outstanding work in establishing personnel policies for Strategic Army Corps units in the Fourth Army Area. This work was done on his previous assignment at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.



Capt. Kirk

He and his wife, the former Frances Dahl, have two sons—Philip, 10, and Chris, 9.

Charles R. Devane, Jr., and Joe Ben Devane are working with Dorsey Trailer Co. in Elba.

Donald Ray Hallenberg is with Southern Bell in Atlanta.

Henry E. Bolton, Jr., has been released from active duty with the Army and is a civil engineer with the International Paper Co. in Mobile.

Eugene M. Parsons, Jr., is associated with Pearson, Tittle & Narrows, Architects, Montgomery.

James Igou is working for Consultants and Designers, Inc., in Huntsville. He and his wife, Bonnie, have a daughter 3 and a son, who was born last Sept. 11.

Joe W. Morris, Jr., is employed by Hayes Aircraft in Birmingham but is contracted as an engineer to the Army Ballistic Missile Agency in Huntsville.

Daniel D. Robbins is with the Celanese Corporation of America in Newark, N.J.

Mason Martin Watkins is working as an engineer in Houston, Tex.

1/Lt. Robert Ron Whitlock is an officer for the Basic Officer Battalion at Ft. Knox, Ky. He and his wife have two children—Rhonda, 2, and John, 8 months.

Theodore Jackson is the recipient of a National Science Foundation stipend for study at the University of Georgia during the 1959-60 academic year. A Monroe County (Ala.) science teacher, he will attend the Foundation's institute for high school science and mathematics teachers.

Born: a son, John Samuel, to Mr. and Mrs. John O. Langley (Barbara Richbrough '59) of Auburn on April 17. . . . A daughter, Linda Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Edron L. Cato (Mary Elizabeth Barnes '60) of Centre Point on March 29. Linda joins big brother Michael Edron, 15 months. . . . A daughter, Deborah Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie P. Petree of Russellville on March 10. . . . A son to Mr. and Mrs. Claude William Collier of Ramer on March 22.

Married: Evelyn Murfee to Eldone Hamilton Truex in Fairhope on April 25.

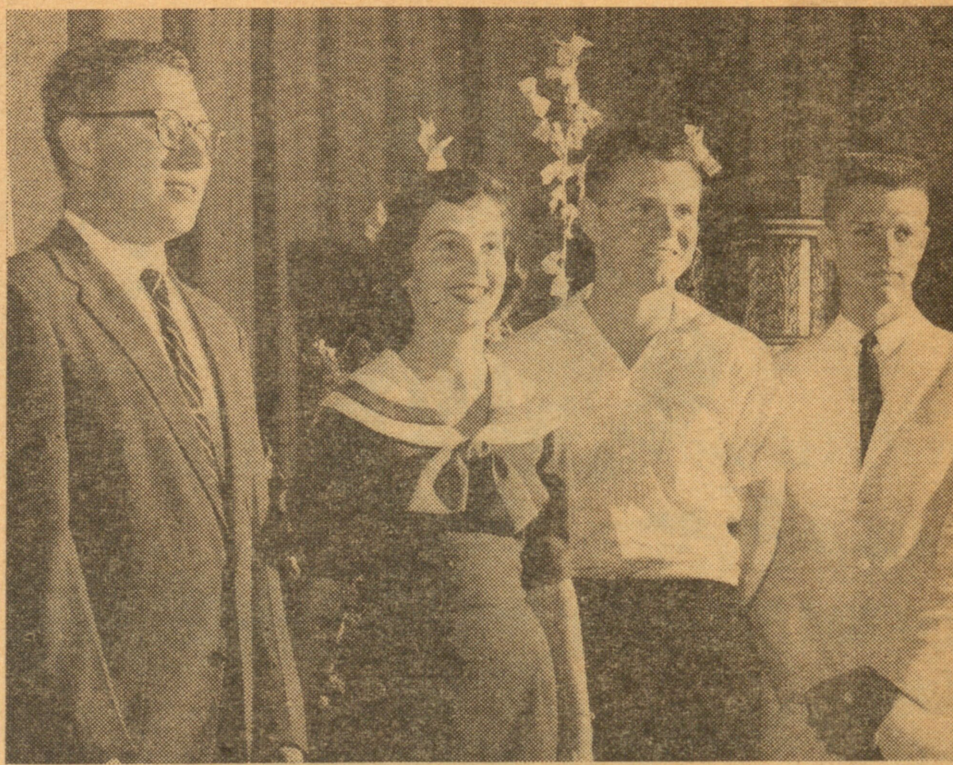
New Addresses: Stanford N. Kemp, Dawsonville, Ga.; Joe Kent, III, Pennsauken, N.J.; Bill R. Snell, Skipperville; Charles H. Bryan, Columbus, Miss.; Lt. and Mrs. Charles R. Stone (June Hanks Weaver '57) Ft. Lewis, Wash.; Ronald A. Vines, Bessemer; Billy R. Burdette, Park, Pa.; Lt. and Mrs. Robert J. Russell (June Foshee), Andalusia; Mrs. Sheila Crain Wooldridge, Warren, Mich.; Thomas E. Honeycutt, Tuscaloosa; Bobby J. Kemp, Tuscaloosa; William E. Hardy, Pittsfield, Mass.; William D. Lee, Page, Arizona; Herbert J. Pine, Metuchen, N.J.; Mrs. Gladys Carolyn Deramus Cumble, Chadwick, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth T. Griffin (Lucile Phillips), Tullahoma, Tenn.

### 1957

2/Lt. Arvin Q. Hudgins is stationed at Ft. Knox, Ky.

Edward D. Black is with the Chattanooga Royal Co. in Chattanooga.

William S. Clark has been transferred to the Douglas Aircraft Missile Test Station at Vandenberg AFB, Calif.,



OF THE CLASS OF '63—Winners of 1959 Village Fair Scholarships the group above will be among Auburn's bright young freshmen this fall. They are (l. to r.) Jim Burton of Tallassee, Mary B. Coker of Talladega, Earl M. Gavin of Slocumb, and George Kinzer of Demopolis. The Alumni Association sponsors seven Village Fair Scholarships. The other three winners (not shown) are Letitia Davis of Montgomery, Dorothy Hart of Cullman, and Sidney Gilchrist of Opp.

## Dr. Anderson Is Graduation Speaker

Two outstanding alumni will return to Auburn on June 3 to be honored at commencement exercises.

where the Discoverer Polar Orbit Satellites are being launched.

Robert A. Beckerle is a law student at the University of Alabama.

William Warren Lusk is with the Alabama Gas Corporation in Montgomery.

Douglas G. Hodnett is on duty with the Army in Germany.

Lt. (jg) James A. Naftel is engineer officer on the USS Vance (DER) with the Pacific Fleet based at Pearl Harbor. He plans to return to Auburn this summer for further studies.

Donald G. Schneider of Atlanta is a sales representative for Lehn-Fink Products Co.

Mrs. W. H. Duke (Kathryn Wooten) is a commercial artist for the Presbyterian Board of Education in Richmond, Va.

Albert Kempson, Jr., of Sacramento, Calif., is back in the United States after a trip to Midway Island.

Born: a daughter, Rebecca Anne, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred O'Brien, Jr., on April 15 in Auburn. . . . A daughter, Dondra Joyce, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. White (Emma Joyce Barton) on Feb. 26 in Charleston, W. Va. . . . A daughter, Debbie Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. Gene A. Walker (Patricia Anne Bowen) of Paducah, Ky., on March 8. Debbie joins an older sister, Patricia Alison, 2½. Mr. Walker is an electrical engineer for the TVA at Paducah, Ky. . . . A daughter, Jean Herren, to Lt. and Mrs. Walter L. Costner (Bebe Herren) of Sacramento, Calif., on Feb. 4. . . . A son, Mark Harrison, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Mark H. Holt (Lois Jones '58) of Memphis, Tenn., on March 5. . . . A daughter, Alita, to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin H. Glass, Jr., of Montgomery on March 10. . . . A son, Jerry Vincent, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald F. Elliott (Mertie Roberts '59) of Tampa, Fla., on March 15. . . . A son, Ronald Powell, to Mr. and Mrs. William Earl Porter of Fairfield on March 11. Ronald joins a big brother who is 2½. Mr. Porter is a salesman for J. M. Tull Metal Supply Co. . . . A daughter, Donna Patricia, to Lt. and Mrs. Michael E. Stone (Anita Louise Scofield) at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, N.C., on April 5. . . . A son, Neil Dean, to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice McCain Kirkpatrick (Lee Nolen) of Birmingham on Feb. 9. . . . A daughter, Caroline, to Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Stanford of Dothan on March 19. Mr. Stanford is an insurance adjuster in Dothan.

Married: Mary Charlotte Williams to Hal Rudisill Harris in Homewood on May 2.

Dr. Robert G. Anderson, director of the Southern Regional Education Board, Atlanta, will deliver the commencement address to the 588 Spring quarter graduates.

On hand to receive an honorary Doctor of Science degree will be Alexander Nunn, Birmingham, executive editor of *The Progressive Farmer*.

A native of Birmingham, Dr. Anderson received his bachelor's degree from API in 1942, and then earned his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at the University of North Carolina and New York University, respectively.

Prior to joining SREB in 1953, Dr. Anderson served on the staffs of the University of North Carolina, New York University and Memphis State College. During World War II he was a captain in the Army.

Dr. Anderson holds membership in numerous honorary and professional organizations and has had several articles published in professional journals.

A prominent figure in the field of agriculture is Alexander Nunn. He has been associated with *The Progressive Farmer* for 32 years, first as secretary, then as vice president, and finally as executive editor. To augment his work with the magazine, he owns and operates a farm at Loachapoka (Lee Co.) Ala.

Mr. Nunn graduated from Auburn in 1924 with a B.S. degree in agricultural education. He later took special journalism courses at Birmingham-Southern College. While at Auburn he was elected to membership in Phi Kappa Phi, Gamma Sigma Delta, and Alpha Phi Epsilon honorary fraternities.

He has contributed greatly to the Boy Scouts and has been an active leader in both church and civic organizations.

Mr. Nunn is the recipient of Alabama State Future Farmers and American Farmer honorary degrees and Alabama and National 4-H Alumni awards.

### Freshman Theme Gems

The bobbin of the sewing machine did not work very well. My aunt has trouble with her bobbin also.

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Thus the Elizabethan age saw the rise of England as a great naval.

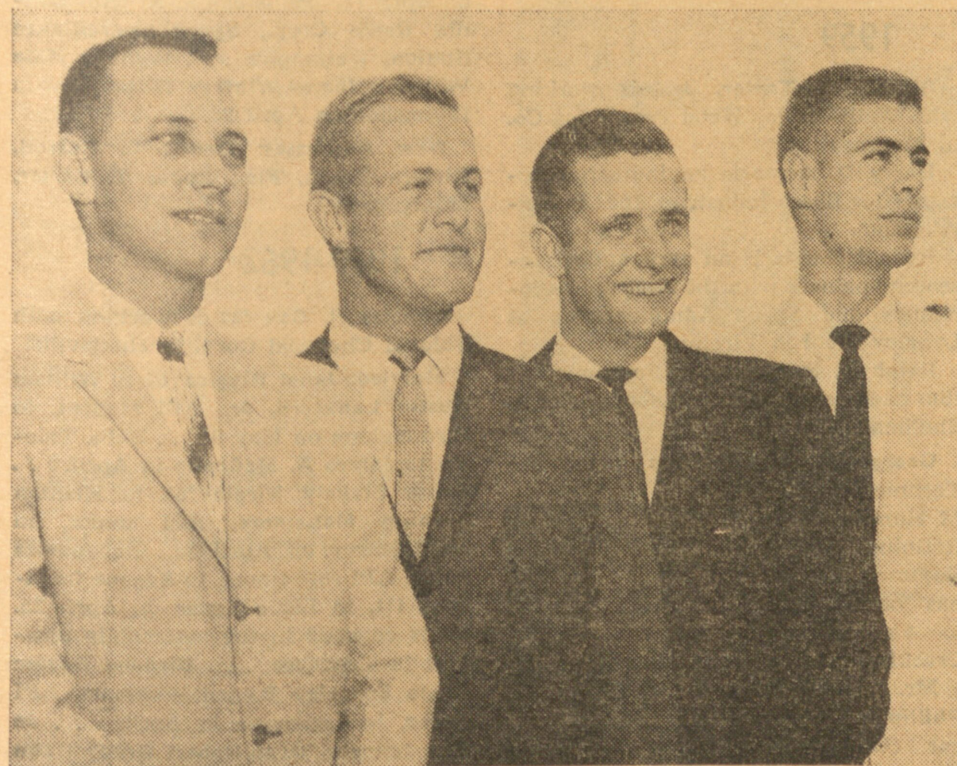
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The porch once had huge white pil-lows.

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The sects of Buddahists, Mohammedans, and others engage in idle worship.

New Addresses: Bernard M. Davis, Manchester, Tenn.; John M. Brabson, Bessemer; James W. Clayton, Birmingham; 2/Lt. David H. Regan, McConnell (Continued on page 12)



STUDENT LEADERS—The quartet above has been elected to give harmonious leadership to Auburn student affairs next year. They are (l. to r.) Sidney Hill, president of Student Government; Charles McArthur, vice president of Student Government; Dick Roll, Plainsman editor; and Jim Williams, Glomerata editor.





HER NAME'S NOT ANNIE—but Sally Morgan will bet two top rails off the white-washed fence against the long end of a broken halter that you can't beat her to the draw. Strangely enough, during a good many hours of the week she studies an indoor vocation—Home Economics.

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

AFB, Kan.; Mrs. Doris Bryant Beckett, Findley & Tennant Animal Hospital, Atmore; Charles S. Farrell, Jr., Birmingham; Lt. Billy Gene Hughey, Huntsville; James T. Mosley, Birmingham; Kenneth W. Tidwell, Atlanta; Kenneth D. Gottman, Decatur, Ga.; Leigh A. Rickard, Clanton; James R. Briney, III, Livingston; John Leonard Scogin, Tucker, Ga.; Mrs. Patricia Ann Forrester Horn, Arlington, Va.; Larry D. Stamps, Winston-Salem, N.C.; Charles L. Jones, Jr., Los Angeles, Calif.; 2/Lt. Terence E. French, III, Greenville AFB, Miss.

### 1958

William H. (Mickey) Duke is a student at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va.

2/Lt. and Mrs. John R. Sitten, Jr., are at Ft. Knox, Ky., where he is with C Co., 4th Tank Bn., 37th Armor. Mrs. Sitten (Audrey Ann Knapp) is employed in the statistics office of the U.S. Armor Human Resources Research Organization, which is a department of George Washington University.

Leslie C. Deloney is stationed at Ft. Stewart, Ga.

2/Lt. John F. Soileau has just completed his Armor Officer Basic Course at Ft. Knox and has been assigned there for the remainder of his six-month tour of duty.

Rufus Herman Cox is an electrical engineer with Texas Instruments in Dallas. He is married to the former Faye Kidd and they have a daughter, Doris Lynn, 3.

J. C. Dunaway is a mechanical engineer at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville.

### Gems From Freshman Themes

As my right arm was in a cast during most of my childhood, I had only two playmates, little white wir-hair terrier with brown ears and black and gray cat.

William Calvin Parrish is an electrical engineer with the Martin Company in Orlando, Fla. He is married to the former Myra Nell McAllister.

Emil Doerfer, Jr., is with the Texas Eastern Transmission Co. in Kosciusko, Miss. He is married to the former Wanda Faye Worsham.

Robert S. Evans is back in Auburn after having completed his six-month tour of duty at Keesler AFB.

Jimmy Helms has completed six-months Army duty at Fort Sill and has resumed his duties with the U.S. Forestry Service at Heflin.

Bobby Eugene Boone is an insurance adjuster in Columbus, Ga. He and his wife have a son, Bobby Eugene, Jr., 3 months.

Gerald Mallard Haskins is a General Electric Trainee in Chicago, Ill.

Karl Richard Allquist is taking basic training at Ft. Jackson, S.C.

Thomas J. Freeman, who recently received a Master of Arts in history from API, teaches at the high school in Ider.

James M. Scarborough has been awarded an \$1800 graduate fellowship in physics at API by the Humble Oil Co. He will pursue research in solid state physics under Dr. Paul Budenstein.

James Francis Smith is a mechanical engineer with Ingalls Shipbuilding Corp. in Pascagoula, Miss. He and his wife, the former Jeri Everette, have a daughter, Angela, 6 months.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel H. Gillis (Nancy Avara '59) are living in Lucedale, Miss., where he is associated with the Lucedale Drug Co.

Ens. John N. Fendley is on duty at the Naval Air Station at Whiting Field in Milton, Fla.

2/Lt. and Mrs. Warren Judson Walton (Carol Patricia Morton) are stationed at Fort Hood, Tex. They have a son, Warren Allan, 4 months.

Kenneth R. Montgomery is a designer with Sherlock, Smith and Adams in Montgomery. He and his wife, the former Shirley Anne Meyer, have three children—Michael, 3; Kathleen, 2; and Judy Kay, 3 months.

Lt. Clifford Merrett Walker, Jr., is stationed at Ft. Monmouth, N.J.

Ralph Wallace Inscho is associated with Caldwell & Elliot, Architects, in Birmingham. He and his wife, the former Jerry Yvonne Stansell, have a son, Bruce Kevin, 2.

Lee P. Dickson of Prattville, Route 1, is associated with Frosty Morn Meats.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Hollands, Jr., (Mary Charles Clackler), are living in Birmingham, where he is with the Alabama Power Co. and she is with the Jefferson County Board of Health.

Judith Ellen Jones teaches public school music in Alexander City.

George W. Sims is a rocket engineer with Thiokol Chemical Corp. in Huntsville.

Herman Joseph Boss is a safety engineer with American General Insurance Co. in Houston, Tex. He is married to the former Marijane Cunningham and they have a daughter, Diane, 8.

Charles B. Dale has completed a tour of duty as a second lieutenant with the Artillery at Fort Sill and is now a mechanical engineer for Wolverine Tube in Decatur.

Married: Patricia Jeanette Peterson '57 to William Richard Schauer in Birmingham on April 25. They are living in Florence, where he is with Northington, Smith and Kranert, Architects. . . . Mary Love Henderson to James A. Helms in Auburn on May 2. They are living in Heflin. . . . Elizabeth Ann Arantz to Ernest Matthew Eitz in Decatur on May 16. . . . Charlotte Flinn '57 to George H. McWilliams in Montgomery on May 9.

Born: a daughter, Mimi Sue to Dr. and Mrs. Robert O. Bickham of Sandersville, Ga., on March 25. . . . A son, Warren Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Towles (Beverly Campbell) of Orlando, Fla., on Dec. 16, 1958. Mr. Towles is with the Martin Co. in Orlando. . . . A daughter, Edna Caroline, to Sgt. and Mrs. John Flomer (Margie Albritton) of Panama City, Fla., on March 21. . . . A son, William Douglas, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Douglas Lamb of Birmingham on April 4.

New Addresses: Dr. John P. Pogue, Alexandria, Ky.; Robert E. Burel, Warrington, Fla.; William T. Pibil, Havre de Grace, Md.; Emmett E. Griffith, Jr., Florissant, Mo.; Walter Edgar (Ted) Hazen, Sonora, Calif.; 2/Lt. Charles Wayne Wilson, Malden AFB, Mo.

### 1959

Sidney L. Taylor, Jr., is working with Wells-Taylor Wood Preserving Co. in Monroeville.

Harry D. Acres is an industrial designer for Ebsco Industries, Inc., in Birmingham.

Ronald Harris is an aeronautical research engineer with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration at Langley Field in Virginia.

Ralph L. Parrett is an instrumentation engineer with Vitro Laboratories in Shalimar, Fla.

George M. Sewell has joined the Technical Division of Humble Oil and Refining Co. in Baytown, Tex. He has been assigned to the Catalytic Cracking Section.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip W. McGregor (Carolyn Coe '60) are living in Huntsville, where he works at Redstone Arsenal for Hayes Aircraft Corp.



Dr. Vernon Lapp . . . President

## Auburn Faculty Elects Officers For 1959-60

Heading the Auburn General Faculty and the Faculty Council during the coming year will be Dr. Vernon Lapp, General Faculty president and Faculty Council chairman; Dr. Henry Good, General Faculty vice-president and Faculty Council vice-chairman; and Dr. Harold Klontz, secretary for both groups.

They succeed Dr. William S. Smith, Dr. Earl I. Brown, and Dr. Robert R. Rea, who served as faculty officers during the 1958-59 academic year.

The Faculty Council officially represents the General Faculty in important faculty-administration relationships. Through the Faculty Council the administration receives the opinions and recommendations of the Faculty on all policies affecting the activities of the Division of Instruction.

Robert Brogden has been appointed forest management agent for Forest Regions 3 and 7 with offices in Tuscaloosa. He is married to the former Gaynell Johnson of Cedar Bluff and they have a daughter, Debbie.

F. E. Hester has been appointed assistant fish culturist of the API Agricultural Experiment Station. Hester has completed doctoral studies at Auburn and will receive his Ph.D. here next month.

Married: Sarah Elizabeth Holley to Ralph Almon Caneer, Jr., in Headland on March 14. . . . Mary C. Maddox '61 to Grady Colquitt Rowell, Jr., in Titus on April 18. He is employed with Bendix Radio Corp., Space Surveillance Station, Wetumpka. . . . Wynona Kate White to James Winfrey Wilson, Jr., in Livingston on April 25.

New Addresses: Daniel L. Russell, Riviera Beach, Fla.; James T. Carter, Montgomery.

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Charles H. Cox '61 is working with Thiokol Chemical Corp. in Huntsville.

Married: Janet Riggins '61 to William Austin Lankford, Jr., API student, in Birmingham on May 9. . . . Hella Thiel to James A. McCrorie in April. . . . Eloise Stakely Virgin '62 to Klenton Trantum McLemore, API senior, in Montgomery on April 3. . . . Juanita Paige, API sophomore, to Eugene Callaway, III, in Little Texas on April 25. He is engaged in the automobile business in Tuskegee. . . . Blanche Baxter '62 to Schealey Boyd Whigham, API senior, in Louisville in April. . . . Jo Ann Johnson '60 to Robert Grady Hahn in Birmingham on May 23. . . . Eva Karan Walker '60 to William Hay Keim, III, in Birmingham on May 2. . . . Paula Starkey to Charles H. Cox '61 in Huntsville on May 2.